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MR. SNOWDEN ON COST OF ARMAMENTS.

BRITAIN'S BURDEN OF PAST CONFLICTS.

NAVAL PARLEY HOPES.

London, Feb. 9.
That the people of Great Britain are spending a thousand pounds every minute of the day for war purposes, mainly for the payment of the cost of past wars and including preparedness for possible future wars, was mentioned by Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in the course of a speech, which was broadcast throughout the United States and Canada to-day.
Mr. Snowden expressed the hope that as a result of the Naval Conference this figure might be reduced. He said that hitherto the Conference had been progressing very satisfactorily.

Reign of Peace.

He urged the peoples of the world to make this generation the glorious inaugurator of the reign of peace.

While Mr. Snowden was making this address in London Mr. Wakatsuki, the principal Japanese delegate to the Conference, was speaking to the people of Japan by beam telephony from Dorchester, the speech being picked up by special stations in Japan and re-broadcast throughout the country.

Mr. Wakatsuki's Address.

Mr. Wakatsuki did not deal with any of the specific problems before the conference. He referred to the fact that there were considerable difficulties to be overcome before success could be achieved, but, he remarked, "a wonderful invention like this, which can carry the human voice from London to Tokyo, should inspire us all to redouble our efforts to overcome the obstacles hindering the world's progress towards permanent peace."
A message from Tokyo states that Mr. Wakatsuki's address, broadcast from Dorchester, was clearly received in Tokyo, except for brief static interruptions.

Experts in Session.

The special sub-committee of experts, appointed after last week's meeting of the First Committee of London yesterday, and at the conclusion of their deliberations, the following communiqué was issued by the United States delegation:

"The sub-committee of experts continued its examination of the table establishing the classification of the categories to be drawn up for submission to the First Committee."

"Good progress was made with the work and the sub-committee will meet again on Monday morning to take up the question of vessels not subject to limitation and special ships such as minesweepers, mine-layers, hospital ships and sloops, which were referred to by the First Committee."
—*Reuter and British Wireless.*

French Press Criticism.

Paris, Feb. 8.
A distrustful tone, coupled with caustic references to Anglo-American policy, marks the press comment on the latest naval conference developments.

Ere Nouvelle declares that Anglo-American solidarity is becoming so pronounced that it might almost be called an Anglo-American alliance. It adds that the La-bourites continue to make the most redoubtable efforts at over-argument that have been attempted for a long time.

La Matin compares the Conference rather to a naval battle than to an entente aiming at peace.

Le Journal says that the Anglo-Saxon manoeuvres demand the greatest vigilance on the part of France.—*Reuter.*

Looking to the Future.

London, Feb. 9.
Mr. Alexander, in a speech in London, declared that when they approached future naval disarmament conferences, any further British reductions must be governed entirely by the contributions of the military and not the naval powers.

Britain, he declared, could not make any further reductions at (Continued on Page 6.)

SOVIET'S WAR ON RELIGION.

ANSWER TO BRITISH PRESS AGITATION.

"INCREDIBLE TALES."

London, Feb. 10.
The agitation carried on for some time past by a section of the British Press in regard to the anti-religious movement in Russia has elicited a reply from a high official of the Soviet Government.
Transmitted by Reuter's correspondent in Moscow, the statement declares that "Russian counter-revolutionary priests abroad have evidently worked hard in exhuming atrocity stories from war archives, hoping to terrify the British public."

He believed, however, that the British public was too wise to accept "such trite stuff" and described the reports of persecution as "incredible tales."

He admitted that, in view of the oppression by the Church under the Tsarist régime, members of the Soviet disliked religion, but they fought it by education and propaganda, and not by methods of medieval inquisition.

The agitation in Britain, commenced by the *Morning Post*, has resulted in several protest meetings, in which prominent Churchmen have interested themselves. A fund has been opened and Lady Houston is one of the prominent subscribers, contributing £6,000.—*Reuter.*

SMALL BURGLARY IN CITY.

THIEVES ENTER JAPANESE FIRM'S OFFICE.

On Saturday night, a burglary took place in Alexandra Buildings, where the office occupied by the Japanese firm of Messrs. Hidaka and Co. on the top floor, was entered by some unknown person, and goods to the value of over £200 stolen.

The loss was discovered by Mr. W. Hidaka, the Manager, when he returned to the office yesterday morning. Checking the goods, he found that a clock and a large number of gramophone records, valued altogether at \$207, were stolen.

Other articles, of relatively minor value, were strewn about, but not taken away.

The burglary has been reported to the police, who are carrying out investigations.

GREEN HOWARDS IN HONGKONG.

MARCH THROUGH CITY THIS MORNING.

Headed by their regimental band, the Green Howards who arrived in Hongkong on board H.M. Transport City of Marseilles, indulged in a route march through the city this morning.
The battalion is composed of a splendid body of men and roused the enthusiasm of all who saw the parade. All the men were evidently glad of the opportunity to get ashore.

Special arrangements were made for the garrison for the entertainment of the troops some time ago, with the result that all ranks will have a pleasant day to-day. A team from the Green Howards will meet the men of the K.O.S.B. at football this afternoon, in addition to which special tours will be made to the Peak and local beauty spots.

DOMINION STATUS FOR INDIA.

MOSLEM LEAGUE WELCOMES STATEMENT.

New Delhi, Feb. 9.
The Council of the All-India Moslem League to-day passed a resolution welcoming the Viceroy's statement defining Dominion Status as India's goal, and urging that adequate representation should be afforded to Moslems at the proposed Round-Table Conference.—*Reuter.*

WORKERS ATTACK FACTORY.

NANYANG TOBACCO CO. UPHEAVAL.

INDIGNANT CROWDS IN BIG DEMONSTRATION.

POLICE ON THE SCENE.

Shanghai, Feb. 6.
More than 1,000 regular workers and a similar number of casual workers of the Nanyang Bros. Tobacco Co., Ltd. made several attempts to storm the company's premises in Broadway East, between Choufoong and Dent Road, yesterday afternoon, and they tried to break down an iron gate facing East Seward Road.

The police reserves attached to Wayside Police Station, under Insp. Higgs and Shellwell, and Det. Insp. Knight, were called up and the crowd were later persuaded to disperse.

The trouble was due to the Company's suspension of business owing to its immense financial losses. Having learned that a conference was in progress between the management and representatives of the workers over the payment of gratuities to workers thrown out of employment, a representative of the *North-China Daily News* went to the factory and interviewed some of the men's leaders.

Leaders' Indignation.

"The management have played a dirty trick on us. They have deceived us," said these men. "It appears that, before announcing the suspension of operations, the management circulated notices to the different departments saying that work would be resumed yesterday, February 5. The workers therefore accepted their pay in the usual manner on Chinese New Year's Eve and left for their homes. They were surprised to learn later that the Company's suspension has been announced."

Asked how many workers had been thrown out of employment, the leaders said that there were between 1,500 and 1,600 regular employees and 3,000 casual hands, of whom more than one half were women.

"The management allege that we are Communists and that we are allowing ourselves to be made tools of by Communists, but this we emphatically deny," they said. "We have nothing whatever to do with the Communists. We are honest workers with families. We are trying to obtain an honest living. We only want work but, since the Company will not permit us to continue in our jobs, it is natural that we should ask for gratuities."

A Rour of Anger.

At this moment, word was passed round that the delegates of the workers had accepted the Company's terms to pay the workers two months' wages and an extra \$5 in lieu of notice of dismissal.
A rour was immediately raised. "We don't want this. We want work. If we don't get work, we want a month's pay for each year of our service with the Company. If the Company does not pay us this amount, let them pay us six months' wages in lieu of notice and we will be satisfied."

The N.C. Daily News representative then made his way to the gate and was allowed to enter, but, as soon as the gate opened, the workers attempted to force their way in. However, half-a-dozen watchmen inside succeeded in closing and locking the gate and preventing them from entering.

Official From Hongkong.

There was a very devoted appearance inside. Two score of clerks were sitting at their desks, chatting unconcernedly. The Press representative was finally shown into the private office where he interviewed Mr. Kan Ying-poo, chairman of the board of directors, who had come specially from Hongkong in connexion with the Shanghai company's affairs and Mr. Loo Kine-kee, the managing director, who was formerly chief comprador of Messrs. Holyoak, Reiss & Co.
"We have lost several million dollars annually during the past few years and we have been trying our hardest to keep our heads above the water. The cost of raw materials is higher now than ever before. Exchange is against us. Wages (Continued on Page 12.)

THE QUEEN'S ROAD COLLAPSE.

LOSS OF LORRY PIN CAUSE OF COLLISION.

MIRACULOUS ESCAPES.

Details of the collapse which occurred at Queen's Road Central yesterday, when the verandah sections of two adjoining three-storied buildings at No. 74 and No. 74A gave way, following a collision between a Hongkong Hotel bus and a P.W.D. lorry, are given on another page. It is now stated that five persons were injured through being buried in the fallen masonry, of whom three were sent to hospital. The hospital casualties were of a minor character, and it is expected that all three will receive their discharge in the course of a few days.

Viewed in the after-light of the affair, what must have struck eyewitnesses was the complete absence of any serious casualties. Many tons of material must have been released when the verandah supports gave way, yet two people who were on the second floor and three others who were walking under the structure at the time

CHICAGO'S ANTI-CRIME CAMPAIGN.

The Police Round-Up 917 Suspected Criminals.

"NO QUARTER" RAIDS.

Chicago, Feb. 9.
In consequence of the insistence of the committee of business men, who hold the whip-hand owing to the bankruptcy of the City Council, the Police Department to-day began the most militant campaign against crime in the history of Chicago.

Nine hundred and seventeen suspected criminals were rounded up in the course of a "No Quarter" invasion of the underworld, in the course of which two persons were shot dead.—*Reuter's American Service.*

Driver's Lucky Escape.

Perhaps the most mercurious case is that of the lorry driver, who was literally in the thick of things, but who emerged without a scratch. He made haste to report the affair at the Central Police Station, and was present when Police Traffic Department officials examined the vehicle and determined the primary cause of the mishap. This was found to be a lost split-pin which, unknown to the driver, had dropped out from its place. As a consequence, the foot-brake did not function when an attempt was made to jam it on.

To-day, the roadway in front of the buildings has been sufficiently cleared to permit of through motor traffic, with a policeman on duty keeping curious sight-seers on the move. The verandah sections of the two buildings concerned have been completely detached from adjoining property.

With the shoring that has been put up by the P.W.D. engineers, the buildings are considered sufficiently safe for the people occupying the two shops underneath to remain in occupation. Der A. Wing and Kwong Kwei are carrying on much as usual, although the folk, when seen this morning, admit that they had quite a fright when they first heard the rumble and instinctively scuttled back into the rear-most portions of the premises.

Two people on the first floor of No. 74A, relatives of a dentist who occupies the premises, were at the time conversing on the verandah. When this shook with the impact produced by the collision of the lorry with one of the pillar supports, they ran out on to the parapet to investigate and came down with the structure when it gave way. They are not very seriously hurt.

Adjoining floor, including that in which Dr. Joe Hawk has his surgery, were considerably shaken, but not badly damaged.

BRITISH MINISTER EXPLAINS.

PROPOSALS ON ISSUES OF EXTRALITY.

SHANGHAI RESIDENTS TAKEN INTO CONFIDENCE.

AGITATION IN CHINA.

London, Feb. 9.
Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister in China, yesterday met a joint committee of the Chamber of Commerce and the China Association at Shanghai, to whom he explained the British Government's proposals for the gradual withdrawal of British extraterritorial rights in China.

The two organisations embrace British and other nationals in their membership.

The action of Sir Miles Lampson in taking them into his confidence was much appreciated. Sir Miles had previously explained the British proposals to other leading bodies in Shanghai when he was suddenly called to Hongkong by the fatal illness of his wife, who contracted meningitis and passed away shortly after his arrival.

Returning to Nanking.

It is understood that Sir Miles hopes to complete his explanations during the week-end, when he will return to Nanking to continue negotiations with the Chinese authorities.—*British Wireless.*

While the Powers are entering into negotiations for the gradual abolition of extraterritoriality, it is learned that plans have been developed for the organisation of mass meetings to be held in all the principal cities of China at intervals of about a week to demand that the Government at Nanking "put some teeth" in the mandate to abolish the extraterritoriality system in China, which permits foreign residents to be tried in their own courts and under their own laws.

The mandate was issued to be effective on January 1, but the government has not issued regulations which would make the mandate effective.

The mass-meetings, organized by the Kuomintang are asking that these regulations be drawn up without further delay.

Unanimous Condemnation.

The Government's "hesitation" in issuing the regulations is attributed to the "surprising unanimous" condemnation which the mandate aroused in the countries affected, which include the United States, Great Britain, Japan, France and Italy. All of these countries have intimated, in no uncertain terms, that they cannot submit to the abolition of extraterritoriality.

The mass-meetings follow a common pattern, being organized by the publicity departments of the Central Executive Committee of the Kuomintang, which issues instructions to the various district Kuomintang organizations. The theme of speeches in these meetings is that foreign nations have impeded China's progress by the system which they compelled past Chinese governments to accept, through the application of force, and that the time has now arrived for the complete abolition of this system.

Political Move Seen.

At most of the meetings, one speaker at least will attack the Government for its dilatory tactics in regard to the regulations which would make the mandate effective, suggesting that the government put out the mandate as a purely political move, with no intention of actually enforcing it.

Diplomatic circles believe that the Government has been surprised by the firmness with which the Powers opposed the abolition of extraterritoriality. It is believed that the Government will hesitate to issue regulations enforcing the mandate, knowing, as they now do, that the principal friendly powers will refuse to accept them.

The Kuomintang, however, apparently does not intend to let the Government get away with its political move. The mass-meet-

BRITAIN REVEALS INTRIGUE.

PLOTTERS AGAINST AFGHAN KINGDOM ARRESTED.

AMANULLAH FACTION.

Peshawar, Feb. 9.

Smart work by the British secret service organisation on the North West Frontier has revealed a plot for a new rising in Afghanistan, and dramatic arrests have been made by the authorities at Peshawar as a result.

The story is briefly related in an official communiqué issued by the Government of the North West Frontier Province, stating that Sardar Amin Khan, the half-brother of the ex-King Amanullah, and Abdul Hakim Khan, who was Amanullah's Trade Agent at Peshawar, have been placed under arrest owing to the discovery of a conspiracy to disturb the peace of Afghanistan, by bringing about a fresh uprising on the part of the Shinwari tribe.

There is reason to believe, the communiqué continues, that the plot has been assisted by intrigues emanating from the Afghan Trade Agency at Peshawar.

It will be recalled that Abdul Hakim Khan refused to hand over the Agency to a successor appointed by the new Government of Afghanistan.

Amin Khan has been living with Abdul Hakim Khan since October. It appears that he intended secretly to re-enter Afghanistan and to make his headquarters in Shinwari territory.—*Reuter.*

BRITISH HIGH SPEED FLIGHT.

NEW BODY SET UP AT FELIXSTOWE.

London, Feb. 9.

The Air Ministry has selected Flight-Lieutenant Boothman to command the new High Speed Research Flight at Felixstowe, which will experiment in speed flying. Other Air Force officers are to be chosen from the R.A.F. fighter squadrons.

The new British attempt on the speed record will be made in the Gloster Napier-Six at Felixstowe, and it is presumed that Lieut. Boothman, or one of his colleagues, will be entrusted with the enterprise.—*Reuter.*

SZECHUAN REVOLT.

FIVE LEADERS DENOUNCE NANKING.

Nanking, Feb. 9.

A revolt of militarists in Szechuan Province is reported and the situation is being keenly watched by the Nanking leaders. It is stated that Generals Yang Sen, Liu Wan-hui, Tang Shih-hau, Tin Chung-yin, and Lo Chak-chow, have issued a proclamation denouncing Nanking and attacking the Szechuan Governor, General Liu Hsiang. The latter is loyal to Nanking.

It is reported that the rebellious leaders are in conference at Changtu.

CARNERA DEMANDING HIS PRICE.

EX-CARPENTER'S EDUCATION IN AMERICA.

Miami Beach, Feb. 9.

The promoters of a boxing programme arranged to be given at Miami Beach on February 21, announce that the arrangements have been cancelled owing to the demand of Primo Carnera, the giant Italian boxer, who refused to appear unless he was given a purse of \$25,000.—*Reuter's American Service.*

ings are not regarded as evidence of any genuine popular support of the abolition move, but of the persistent attempt of a small articulate group to arouse the people.

MYSTERIOUS LOSS OF DIAMONDS.

AN ANTWERP FIRM'S CLAIM FAILS.

JUDGMENT FOR THE BANQUE DE L'INDO CHINE.

CARELESSNESS PLEA.

Judgment for the Banque de L'Indo Chine, the defendants, was given by Sir Henry Gollan at the Supreme Court this morning, in respect of the claim of a firm of diamond merchants for damages or restoration of their property, following the mysterious disappearance of a package of diamonds, valued at over £5,000, which was left in the custody of the bank.

The plaintiffs, said Sir Henry, are diamond merchants carrying on business at No. 49, Rue Coquilhat, in the City of Antwerp, and the defendants are a banking company incorporated in France and having their head office in Paris. They also have a branch in Hongkong.

By their statement of claim, the plaintiffs allege that the defendants, on or about July 15, 1922, received at their local branch, as bailee for reward, or, alternatively, as gratuitous bailee, a parcel containing diamonds, belonging to the plaintiffs, of the value of £5,082 15s. 4d., to be safely kept and taken care of by the defendants for and on behalf of the plaintiffs.

Loss Admitted.

There were, in the statement of claim, also claims for conversion and for the wrongful detention of the above-mentioned parcel of diamonds. But these claims were not proceeded with at the hearing before me.

The receipt, alleged value and loss of the diamonds, was admitted by the defendants, and the only question at issue between the parties was as to whether the defendants had fulfilled the responsibility cast upon them by the law in the particular circumstances of the case, and whether they have made out their defence, which was that they were gratuitous bailees, that they took reasonable care of the parcel of diamonds which was lost, stolen or wrongfully removed from them by some person or persons unknown, and that they had been unable to trace such parcel.

Gratuitous Bailee.

I think it is clear from the authorities that a banker who receives a parcel on behalf of a customer is, *prima facie*, a gratuitous bailee unless he receives reward. The mere opening of an account with the banker is not sufficient to make him a bailee for reward in respect of any parcel received by him unless the undertaking to take care of valuable property is made a condition of opening the account, or is offered as an inducement to do so. If there is no such condition made, or inducement offered, then the banker is a gratuitous bailee and only bound to take the same care of the property entrusted to him as a reasonably prudent and careful man may fairly be expected to take of his own property.

Profession Implies Skill.

Probably a banker would be further required to avoid neglect of the ordinary care which bankers display in respect of their own property of value and to make use of all facilities at his command for safe keeping, and this, irrespective of whether he is a gratuitous bailee or a bailee for reward. It is due to considerations of this kind that it has been remarked "Bankers being generally provided with such appliances and safeguards, the question as to whether the banker is a gratuitous bailee or a bailee for reward becomes practically an academic one in estimating the degree of care to which he is bound." For, as was said by Lord Loughborough in "Shields v. Blackburne": "If a man gratuitously undertakes to do a thing to the best of his skill where his situation or profession is such as to imply skill, an omission of that (Continued on Page 7.)

PAMELA'S SALE.

PAMELA wishes to inform her clientele that after stocktaking, a sale will begin on MONDAY, 20th of Jan. when the stock will be reduced from 15% and above.

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THREE BURIED.

VERANDAHS CRASH IN QUEEN'S ROAD.

An accident which could easily have turned out far more serious, occurred yesterday afternoon, when all the verandahs of two houses in Queen's Road Central collapsed. Fortunately, nobody was killed, but three Chinese are now in the Government Civil Hospital suffering from more or less serious injuries.

The two houses involved are Nos. 74 and 74A Queen's Road Central, near Pottinger Street. They are two of a row of three-storeyed houses, all the verandahs of which are supported by cast-iron pillars.

The ground floor of No. 74 is occupied by Der A. Wing, who have just moved in, and No. 74A by the Kwong Pui photographers.

It appears that at 3.25 p.m. a Hongkong Hotel bus was proceeding in an easterly direction with P.W.D. lorry No. 825 following close behind. According to eye-witnesses, the latter vehicle swerved to the right in trying to overtake the bus, but when he had got to the other side of the road, the driver of the lorry found another hotel bus, No. 55, coming in the opposite direction. It was too late for either to stop. The lorry driver apparently tried to avoid a collision by swerving into the pavement, and his vehicle hit a pillar, but even then he could not avoid the collision. Although the west-bound bus was not going very fast, the driver could not stop it in time to avoid colliding with the lorry.

The pillar which was hit broke into pieces, and as it was the only means of support to the front part of the two houses involved, all the six verandahs came down with a crash, burying several people.

Aid for Injured.

A number of men from the Indian Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, a few sailors and others rushed to the scene on hearing the crash, and were the first to render assistance. An A.B. from the H.M.S. Kent did very valuable work in clearing away the debris, and with the assistance of others, extracted a man within five minutes.

A large crowd had gathered by this time, and several people assisted the police in keeping back the crowd. Ambulance men, Scouts, and a sprinkling of soldiers and sailors, did whatever they could, either in helping to clear the huge pile of debris or to keep order.

The first man extracted was found to be suffering from injuries to the forehead and body. Messrs. J. Hosen, A. M. Wahab, R. A. Razack, C. Dragon and Revenue Officer Ward rendered first aid to this man, and he was immediately sent to the G.C.H.

Arriving soon after the mishap, firemen set to work with a will and it was not long before their labours were rewarded. Another man was taken out from a pile of debris, but great difficulty was experienced before this was accomplished. His lower limbs were badly hurt, and he was immediately rushed to hospital.

The Third Rescue.

The last taken out was an old man. He is believed to have been passing by when the accident occurred. He was dug out from a big pile of bricks and mortar outside the photographers'. A coolie was the first to notice him, and drew the attention of those in charge of rescue operations.

The lorry was badly damaged, but the hotel bus only slightly. Both were covered with debris and the rest of the afternoon, until 5 p.m., was spent in extricating them and clearing the street to allow traffic to resume.

Fortunately there was nobody in the hotel bus at the time except the driver and the conductor, both of whom escaped none the worse for their experience.

Enquiries made last night, gave the names of the injured as follows: Ho Chung-hing, hawker, living at No. 43 Aberdeen Street; Chin Din and Ng Fook-ng, both

CORRESPONDENCE.

Green Island Cement Co., Ltd.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—At the Extraordinary meeting of shareholders of this Company held on 6th inst. It was decided to remove Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. from the office of General Managers and to pay them compensation for such removal any such sum as the Company in General Meeting may hereafter decide, and an able plea for adequate compensation to Messrs. Shewan Tomes & Co. was made by Hon. Mr. Braga in seconding the resolution. As I shall be absent from the Colony and therefore unable to attend the confirmatory meeting of 26th inst. I now with your permission endorse fully the plea of Mr. Braga for liberal compensation to Messrs. Shewan Tomes.

My knowledge and personal observation of the working of this Company extends over the whole forty years so ably covered by Mr. Braga in his speech, and I well remember the shares quoted at \$1.00, and the very trying periods in the Company's history which he has so well described. In addition to the vital assistance of Mr. Shewan at that time, as stated by Mr. Braga, I would refer to the sound judgment of Mr. Shewan in selecting and managing his Staff, the then Works Manager and Chief Engineer, being men of extraordinary ability and character, and with their assistants devoted to the interests and reputation of the Company not one cent of whose money was knowingly wasted. It was of course continuous day and night and Sunday work in the Factory in the heat and cement dust, and I well remember the European Staff themselves stoking the old style kilns and training the workmen. It was killing work, the Staff wishing their throats a mile long for cold drinks, and the living conditions at Green Island by no means ideal. But the Manager and Staff who were called out at any time during the night never relaxed or became disheartened, but strove continuously to keep the Factory going under great difficulties and at the least possible cost. The same economy and maintenance of the highest standard of quality exists at the Factories to-day, and right through these forty years the main spring of this devotion, loyalty, and unselfish service has been the encouraging personality, ability and tact of Mr. Shewan himself who financed the Company when moribund and bankrupt, has never lost faith in it and has lived to see the Company able to run under its own Directors, pay nearly \$10,000,000 in dividends and its capital increase from \$200,000 to \$3,400,000 as stated by Mr. Braga. In view of the foregoing facts and those given by Mr. Braga my vote is for liberal compensation to Messrs. Shewan Tomes.

W. S. BAILEY.

"RED" UPRISINGS.

LOOT AND MURDER IN HUPEH.

Hankow, Feb. 9.

Communist uprisings are reported to have broken out in various districts in Hupeh.

The town of Kionli has been captured and looted by Reds, and the magistrate and others murdered. Hsiangyang has been burned, the magistrate killed and merchants carried off for ransom.

The towns of Shienning and Puchi, on the Wuhan-Changsha Railway, are now being menaced.—Reuter.

living on the first floor of No. 74 Queen's Road Central.

We were informed that their injuries are not considered very serious, and all three are getting along as well as can be expected.

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RUSSIAN PERSECUTION

STRONG INDICTMENT BY THE POPE.

Vatican City, Feb. 9.

In a letter which his Holiness the Pope has published, deploring the persecution of religion in Russia and inviting the whole Christian world to join in an appeal to God for Russia on March 19, when he will celebrate at St. Peter's a Mass

of expiation for Russian offences against religion and for the spiritual health of the Russian people, the Pope recalls that since the beginning of his Pontificate he has redoubled the efforts to stop the terrible persecution in Russia. The Papacy, by means of its envoys, saved 150,000 children in Russia from horrible death, until the Soviet forced it to cease its efforts.

He announces that he has appointed a Special Commission for Russia, presided over by Cardinal Sincero.—Reuter.

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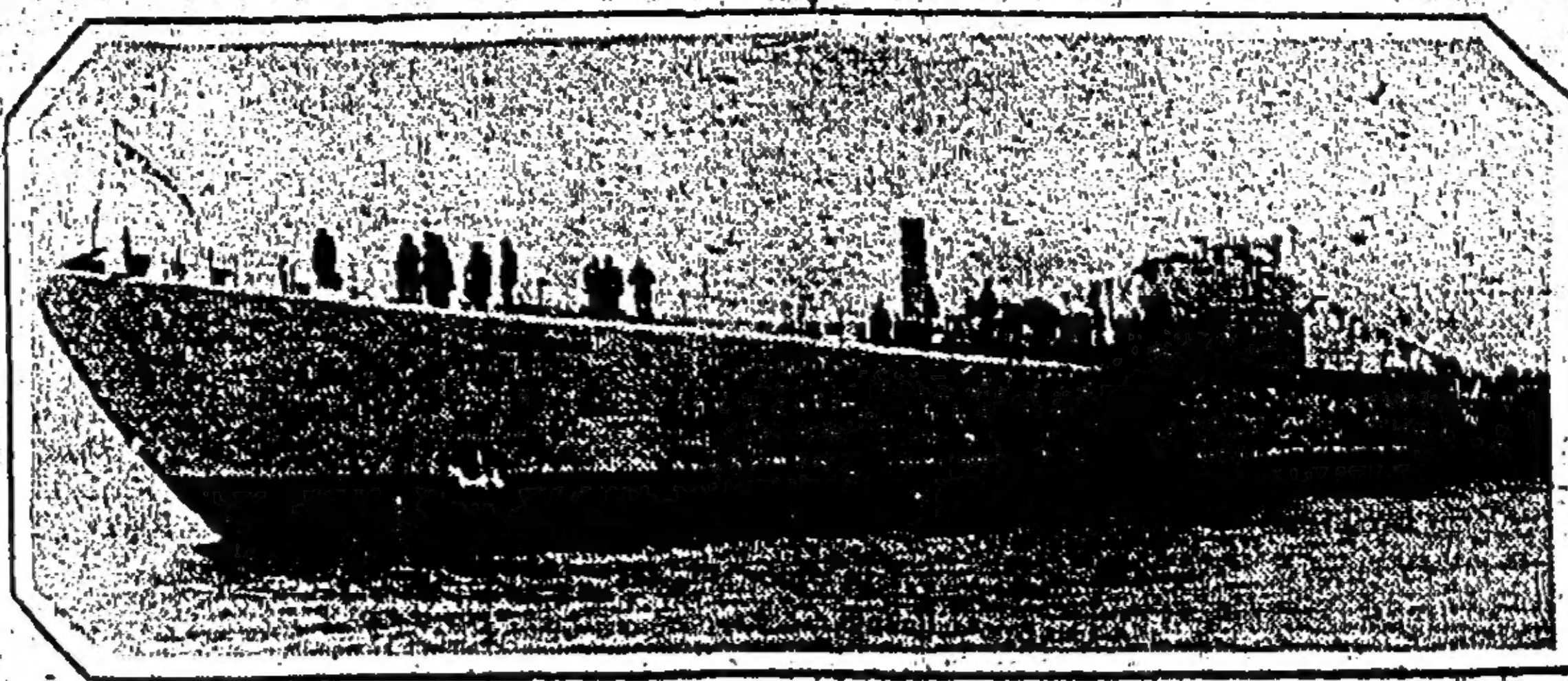
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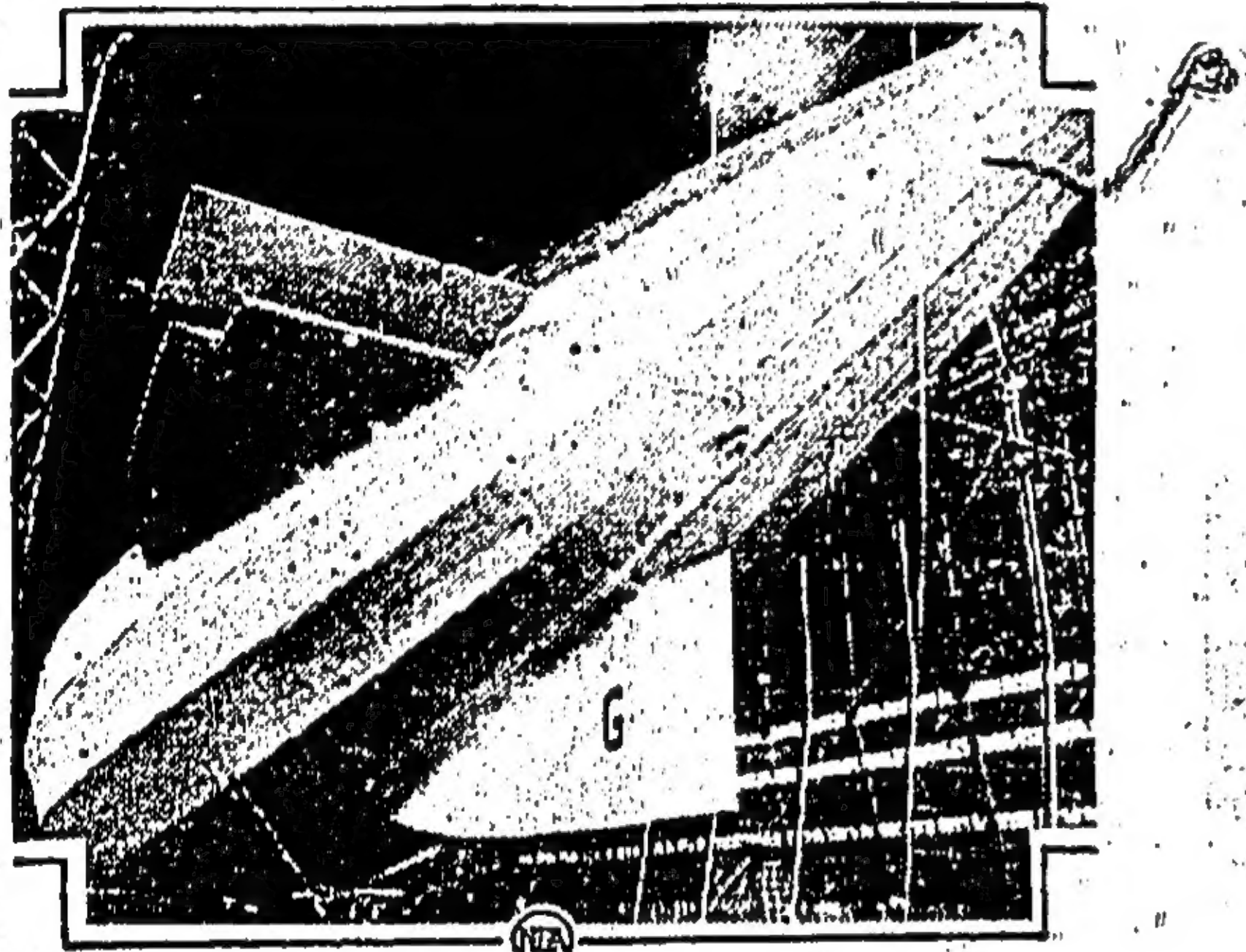
Boxing Day in England is a popular day for hunting. Our picture shows hounds passing through the Castle gateway at Lewes on their way to the Southdown Hunt Meet at the White Hart, Lewes. (Times copy-right).



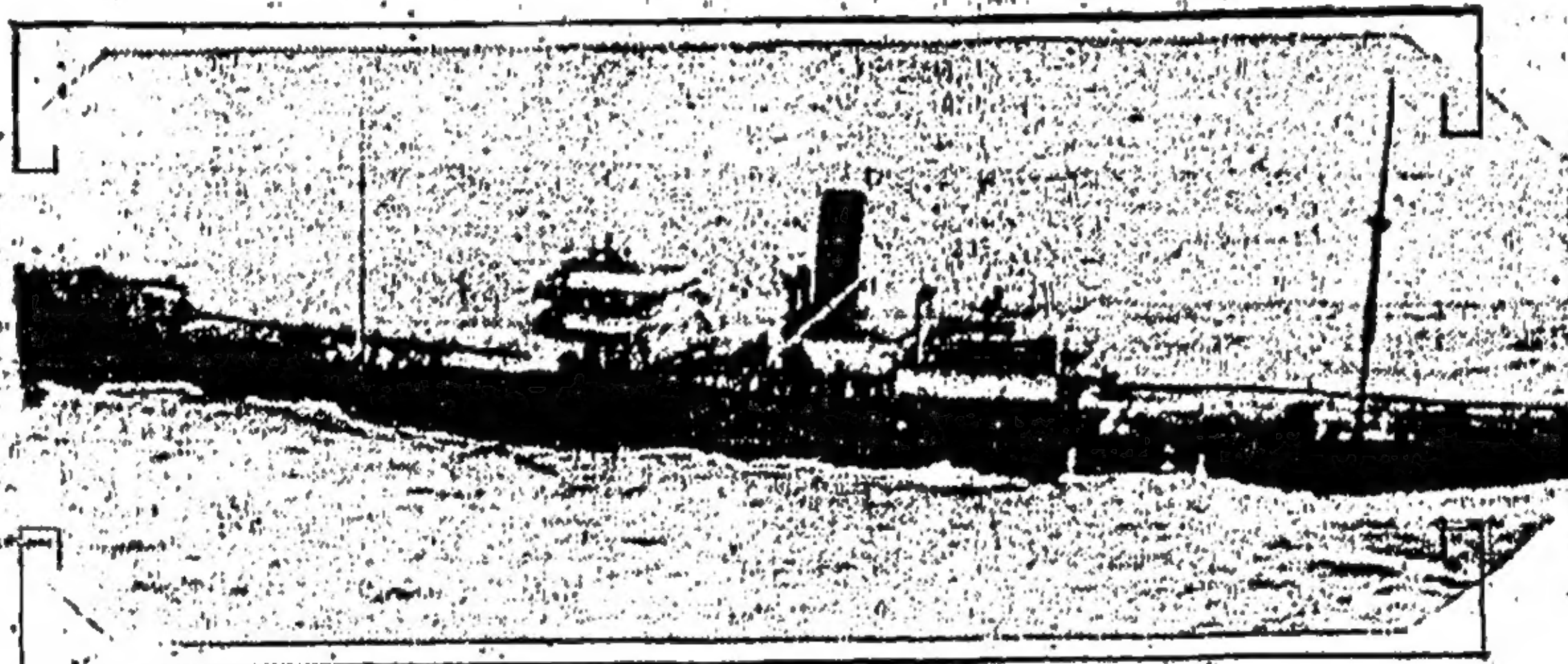
The U. S. Submarine V-51, the largest ever built by America, displacing 3,930 tons submerged, recently launched.



The wedding of Helen Wills and Mr. Frederick Moody took place quietly at Berkeley, Cal. Above the couple are shown leaving the church.



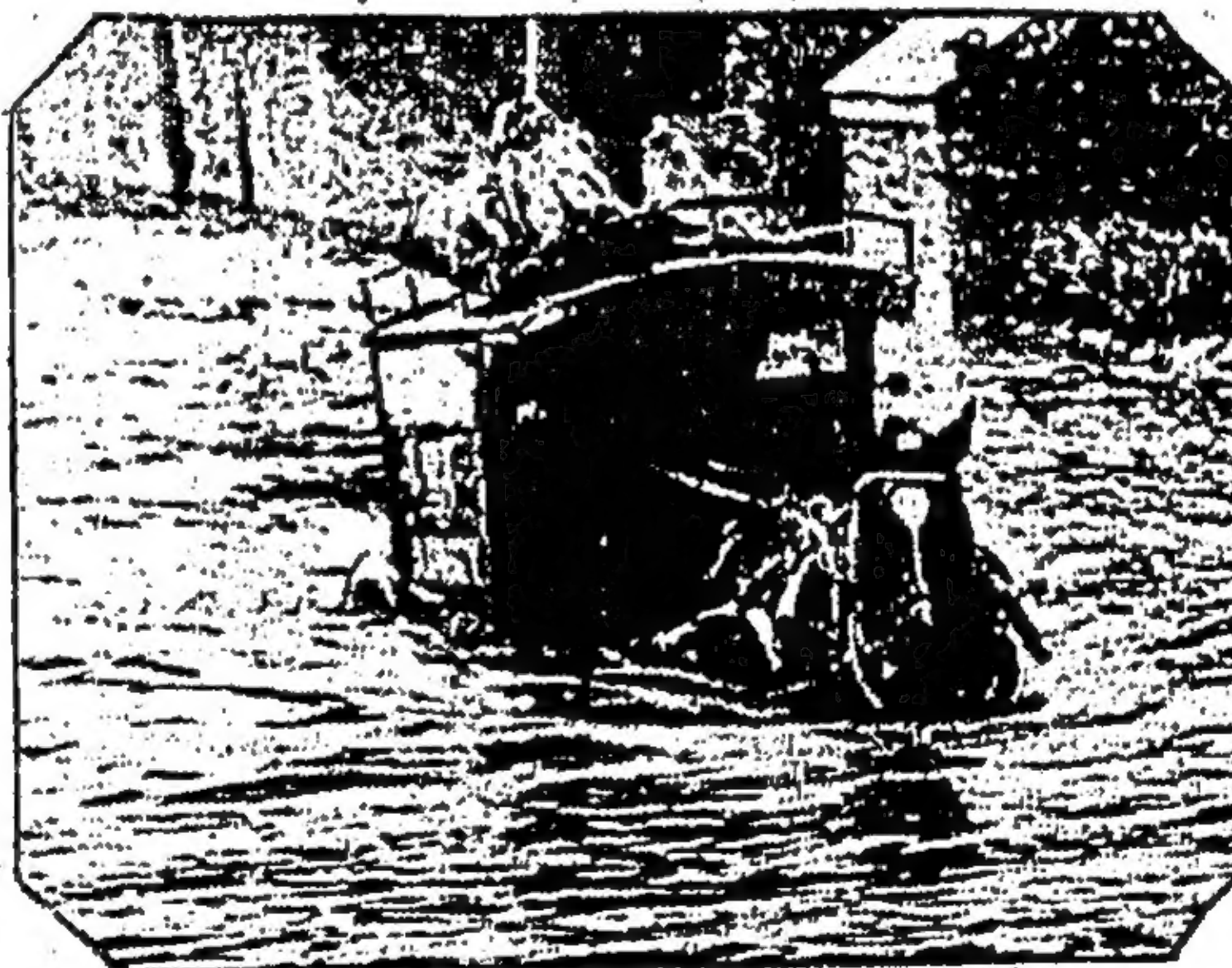
The R.100 which has just completed successful trial flights, pictured in her hangar.



Last month's Atlantic gales caused heavy loss to shipping. Above is the U.S. Vulpia just before she sank after abandonment by her crew.



The historic scene when a Monarch of Italy entered the Vatican for the first time in 59 years is pictured above, signifying the restoration of amicable relations.



The depth of the floods which swept through the Rhonda Valley, Wales, recently, are indicated in the above picture, which was taken at Trehafod. A laundry cart is seen struggling down an inundated thoroughfare. Many people had to abandon their homes.



King Victor Emmanuel and Queen Elena at the tomb of St. Peter, during the recent Vatican ceremonies.



The most elaborate wedding Hollywood has seen for five years fell to the lot of Bessie Love when she became the bride of William B. Hawke, a Los Angeles broker. This picture shows the wedding party in St. James Episcopal church just after the ceremony. Left to right are: Norma Shearer, Irene Mayer, daughter of Louis B. Mayer; Bebe Daniels, Athole Shearer, William Hawks, Bessie Love, Blanche Sweet, Carmel Myers and Edith Mayer.

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FOUND.—Found on the Shek-O Road at 5.30 last night, one valuable Alsatian Dog. Dog has been handed over to the Stanley Police Station. Owner can have same by applying at the above Police Station.

CONSIGNEES' NOTICES.

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Goods not cleared by the 15th February, 1930, will be subject to rent. All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the godowns, where they will be examined on the 14th February, 1930, at 10 a.m. by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas, Hongkong.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the undersigned in any case whatsoever. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN. General Agents.

Hongkong, 8th February, 1930.

New Advertisements

THE BANK OF EAST ASIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the ELEVENTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the Registered Office of the Company No. 10, Des Voeux Road Central, at 4.30 p.m. Thursday the 27th February 1930, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Thursday, 20th February to Thursday, 27th February 1930, (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, KAN TONG PO, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 10th February, 1930.

ST. STEPHEN'S COLLEGE, STANLEY.

School will re-open on Monday, February 17th at 9 a.m. at Stanley. School prospectuses may be obtained from Mr. Li Hoi Tung, Manager, Messrs. Banker & Co., Bank of China Building, Queen's Road Central. NEW STUDENTS will be received by the Warden at the offices of Messrs. Banker and Co., Bank of China Building, on Friday, February 14th, at 9 a.m.

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Notice is hereby given that the Ordinary Yearly Meeting of the Shareholders in this Corporation will be held at City Hall, Hong Kong, on Saturday, the 22nd February, 1930, at 11.30 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1929.

The Register of Shares of the Corporation will be closed from Monday, the 10th February to Saturday, the 22nd February, 1930, (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, A. C. HYNES, Chief Manager. Hongkong, 3rd February, 1930.

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NAVY CONTRACTS, 1930—1931.

Sealed Tenders, in duplicate, for the supply of the undermentioned Stores for H. M. Naval Service at Hongkong during the period 1st April 1930 to 31st March 1931 will be received by the Commodore, H. M. Naval Yard, until noon on Monday, the 17th February, 1930:—

Frozen Meat.
Fresh Vegetables.
Soft Bread.
Biscuit.
Rice.
Sugar.
Lard.

Forms of Tender and any necessary information may be obtained on application to the Victualling Store Officer, H. M. Naval Depot, Kowloon.

The right to reject the lowest or any tender is reserved.

H. M. NAVAL DEPOT, Kowloon.
February, 1930.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING 1930.
22nd, 24th, 25th, 26th, February and 1st March, 1930.

On Saturday 22nd February the first race will be run at 2 p.m. and on all other days at 4.30 o'clock noon. On the first day the first bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m. and on the other four days at 11.30 a.m. Members' Badges and Enclosure.

Members' Badges may be obtained by those members who have not already received them on application to the Secretary.

Such Badges will also ensure admission to all Extra Race Meetings during 1930.

Members are notified that they and their ladies must wear their badges prominently displayed.

No one without a badge will be admitted to the Members' Enclosure.

Badges admitting non-members to the Members' Enclosure and Club Rooms at \$10.—per day or \$40.—for the Meeting (Indian \$4.—and \$16.—respectively), are obtainable through the Secretary upon introduction by a Member, such Member to be responsible for payment of all debts, etc.

Badges admitting to Members' Enclosure will not be on sale at the Race Course.

Members can obtain, upon application to the Secretary, badges (limited to two) for the free admission to the Members' Enclosure of wives, lady relatives and friends. Names must be stated when applying.

No pretext will children be permitted in either enclosure during the first four days of the Meeting.

Public Enclosure.

The price of admission to the Public Enclosure is \$3.—per day for all persons, including ladies, and is payable at the Gate.

Soldiers and Sailors in uniform are admitted to the Public Enclosure at \$1.—per day.

Bookmakers, Tie Men, etc., will not be permitted to operate within the precincts of the Hongkong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting.

Servants' Passes.

Passes for Servants will be issued on application to Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Alexandra Buildings.

Employers are requested to distribute them with discrimination and to endorse their names on the passes.

Servants are not permitted in the Members' Enclosure except for passing through on their duties, but must remain in their employers' stands.

Any persons found loitering with Servants' Passes in their possession will forfeit the same and will be removed from the enclosure.

By Order,

C. H. BROWN, Secretary.

Hongkong, 10th February, 1930.

TRINITY COLLEGE OF MUSIC, LONDON.

LOCAL EXAMINATIONS

First week June 1930

The Last Day of Entry for Forthcoming Examinations in THEORY and PRACTICAL

Will be 22nd February

Local Secretary:—

Wm. ANDERSON,

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from whom the current regulations may be obtained.

Lammert's Auctions

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from the Far East Photomation Corporation Ltd. to sell by Public Auction,

On TUESDAY, the 11th February, 1930, commencing at 11 a.m. at No. 88, Queen's Road Central (Ground Floor).

A Quantity of Shop Fittings, comprising:—
Show cases, Cash desks, Seats, Electric fittings, etc., etc.

On View from Monday, the 10th February, 1930.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on Wednesday, the 12th February, 1930, commencing at 2.30 p.m. at No. 13, Broadwood Road "Ridge House"

A Quantity of Valuable Blackwood and Household Furniture, (particulars from Catalogues)

On View from Tuesday, the 11th February 1930.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

On THURSDAY, the 13th February, 1930, commencing at 5.15 p.m. at their Sales Room, Duddell Street.

A Fine Collection of Valuable Postage Stamps.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions from K. S. Morrison, Esq., to sell by Public Auction,

on Friday, the 14th February, 1930, commencing at 10.30 a.m. at No. 460, The Peak, Barker Road

A Large Quantity of Valuable Household Property

comprising:—
Teak, Mahogany, Chesterfield Couch and Armchairs, Glass Cabinet, Teak Pedestals, Statues, Card Table, Brass Ornaments, Pictures, Carpets, Brass Fenders, etc.

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Catalogues will be issued.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

BY ORDER OF THE VENDOR.

Particulars of the Valuable Leasehold Property Situate at Shau-ki-wan in the Colony of Hongkong to be sold by

Public Auction

on Friday the 14th, February, 1930, at 3.30 p.m. at their Sales Room Duddell Street.

Shau-ki-wan Inland Lot Nos. 510, 511 & 512. For further particulars apply to the undersigned.

Lammert Bros., Auctioneers.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

On SATURDAY, the 15th February, 1930, commencing at 11 a.m. at Holt's Wharf, Kowloon.

3240 Pieces Rails.
161 Bundles Fish Plates.
24 Bags Bolts.
3 Cases Cramps.
9 Packages Dismantled Truck.

4 Packages Turning Tables.
10 Cases Window Glass.
2 Cases Plate Glass.

Terms:—Cash on delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Due
Amoy	Tillaboot	February 10.
Amoy	Shirala	February 10.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 17th Jan.)	Pres. Lincoln	February 10.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Allports	February 11.
Changsha	General Metzinger	February 11.
Australia and Manila	Tijpanas	February 11.
Japan and Shanghai	Sin Kiang	February 12.
Sandakan	Pres. Cleveland	February 12.
U.S.A. (Seattle 25th Jan.) Japan and Shanghai	Karmala	February 12.
Shanghai and Swatow	Kalyan	February 12.
Europe via Suez (letters and papers, London 16th January and parcels, 9th January)	Kalyan	February 12.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 22nd Jan.) Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Taiyo Maru	February 12.
Japan and Shanghai	Kitauo Maru	February 12.
Japan	Hawaii Maru	February 12.

OUTWARD MAILS.

Registered and Parcel Mails are closed 15 minutes earlier than the time given below unless otherwise stated, and where mails are advertised to close at or before 9 a.m. registered and parcel mails are closed at 5 p.m. on the previous day.

For	Per	Date and Time.
Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South America and Europe via San Francisco	Pres. Grant	Mon., Feb. 10, 3 p.m.
	Parcels	Registration 4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
(Due San Francisco 6th March.)		
Shanghai and Europe via Siberia	Pres. Grant	Mon., Feb. 10, 5 p.m.
	Parcels	Registration 5 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
San Shui and Wuchow	Tai Hing	Mon., Feb. 10, 4 p.m.
Permossa	Vogtlund	Mon., Feb. 10, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Anlung	Mon., Feb. 10, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Seiktan	Mon., Feb. 10, 5 p.m.
Java and Batavia	Tijlboet	Tues., Feb. 11, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	General Metzinger	Tues., Feb. 11, K.P.O.
	Registration	1 p.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Registration	1.45 p.m.
	Letters	2.30 p.m.
(Due Marseilles 14th Mar.)		

Fort Bayard, Hothow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin	Tues., Feb. 11, 1.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ning	Tues., Feb. 11, 2 p.m.
Manila	Pres. Lincoln	Tues., Feb. 11, 4.30 p.m.
Saigon	Wai Shing	Tues., Feb. 11, 5 p.m.
Swatow and Foochow	Chih Shing	Tues., Feb. 11, 5 p.m.
Amoy	Kutsang	Tues., Feb. 11, 5 p.m.

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A. Central and South America and Europe via Vancouver B.C. and Europe via Siberia	Empress of Russia	Wed., Feb. 12, 5 p.m.
	Parcels	Registration Feb. 12, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
(Due Vancouver B.C. 1st Mar.)		
*Shanghai and Japan	Siberia Maru	Wed., Feb. 12, 4.30 a.m.
*Straits, Haiphong and Calcutta	Shirala	Wed., Feb. 12, Noon
	Parcels	Registration Feb. 12, 1 p.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Straits and Calcutta	Hong Kong	Wed., Feb. 12, 3.30 p.m.
	Letters	3.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Registration	Feb. 12, 3.30 p.m.
	Letters	3.30 p.m.
Amoy, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Chengtu	Thurs., Feb. 13, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Permossa	Dell Maru	Thurs., Feb. 13, 8.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiching	Fri., Feb. 14, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Karmala	Sat., Feb. 15, K.P.O.
	Parcels	Feb. 14, 4.30 p.m.
	Registration	Feb. 15, 9 a.m.
	Letters	10 a.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	Feb. 14, 5 p.m.
	Registration	Feb. 15, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	10.30 a.m.
(Due Marseilles 15th March.)		
Japan and Victoria B.C.	Tyndarus	Sat., Feb. 15, 10 a.m.
	(Due Victoria 11th March.)	

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H.K.C.C. EASILY DEFEAT ROYAL NAVY.

The Hongkong C.C. won their second League match when they easily defeated the Royal Navy on the town ground. They knocked up 183 runs declared and then dismissed their opponents for 110 runs. What hopes the Craigen-gower C.C. might have entertained of winning the League even after their defeat by Kowloon last week were utterly shattered on Saturday when they lost to the University by a small margin.

DIVISION I.

Hongkong C.C. Much too Strong for Navy.

The opening partnership between Duckitt and Batger, who put in 70 runs being separated, laid the foundation for a huge score when the Hongkong C.C. batted first against the Royal Navy on the former's ground. Duckitt contributed 71 before being dismissed, while Batger made 37. With only six wickets down the hosts had knocked up a total of 183 when the innings was declared closed.

The visitors never really looked like making the runs and when the innings closed they had only managed to collect 110 runs. Duckitt, going on rather late, took three wickets for eleven runs, Reid dismissing four batsmen for 41 runs.

Craigen-gower v. University.

The Craigen-gower lost all chances of finishing at the top of the League by losing to the University by 22 runs, after they had dismissed the Pokfulam team for 124 runs. For the winners, Anderson carried his bat for 56 scored in his usual brilliant manner while Guterres, helped with 33. The Valley team opened weakly and but for Hanson were unable to do much with the bowling. They were all dismissed for 104 runs, Samy taking five wickets for 37.

DIVISION II.

University Win Initial Match Against Craigen-gower.

Hiptool, the captain of the University seconds, was mainly responsible for the defeat of the Craigen-gower C.C. whom they played at Pokfulam, and lost by 55 runs. The hosts batted first and scored 125 for the loss of nine wickets declared. If, Normanbhoy made 35 and Gan 31. The visitors, collapsed against the bowling of Hiptool who captured six wickets for 12 runs. Leonard contributed 35 towards a total of 70.

Recreio v. R.A.S.C.

In a very low scoring match the Club de Recreio beat the R.A.S.C. by 42 runs, the game producing only 164 runs altogether. The fixture was played at King's Park, the hosts taking first knock. They were only able to score 73 runs between them; but the visitors failed to reach this score by 42 runs. Sousa took five wickets for an equal number of runs and Xavier took four for 23 runs. At one time six of the military wickets fell without any addition to the score.

Kowloon Match.

The R.A.O.C., who were to have engaged the Kowloon seconds in a League match were unable to raise a team and an inter-club game was played on the K.C.C. ground instead, the premier eleven meeting the juniors, who won by 51 runs. Batting first the seconds made 122 for the loss of nine wickets when the innings was declared. N. A. 3, Mackay scored 30 and A. A. Dand 27. The first eleven replied with 71 runs, E. C. Fincher being top scorer with 29. G. Lee took five wickets for 17 runs.

YESTERDAY'S GAME.

Sayer Captains Victorious Eleven Against Schools.

An eleven captained by Mr. G. R. Sayer played a team selected from the Combined Schools, and the former won by six wickets, the game taking place yesterday on the Civil Service ground. A feature of the match was the bowling of R. Lee, of the Craigen-gower C.C.

London, Feb. 8. Playing at Selhurst Park in the first match in the Army International Triangular Football Tournament, the Belgian Army beat the British Army by four goals to two.—Reuter.

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of today's share quotations issued to day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1350 b.
Chartered Bank, \$161 n.
Mercantile & B., \$231 n.
East Asia \$98 b.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$70 n.
Union Ins., \$378 b.
North China, Ins., Tls. 160 b.
Yangtze Ins., \$50 n.
China Underwriters, \$185 n.
China Fire, \$340 b.
H. K. Fire Ins., \$840 b.

Shipping.
Douglas, \$25 n.
H. K. Steam, \$27 s.
H. K. Tug, \$2 n.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$70 n.
Union Waterboats, \$234 b.

Mining.
Benguet, \$51 b.
Kailash, \$4 n.
Lanark, Tls. 13.61 n.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 130 n.
Rauha, \$13 b.
Tronoh, 21/- b.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$1571 b.
Whampoa Docks, \$32 b.
China Provident, \$564 s.
Hongkong, Tls. 196 b.
New Engineering, Tls. 7.61 b.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 122 n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 16.95 sa.
Oriental, Tls. 2.30 b.
Shai Cottons, Tls. 79 (old) n.

Land, Hotels, etc.
H. and S. Hotels, \$12.91 s.
H. K. Lands, \$67 b.
Shai Lands, Tls. 195 n.
Humphreys, \$14 n.
Realities, \$8.65 n.
Chinese Estates, \$38 n.

Public Utilities.

Tramways, \$19.45 n.
Peak Tram, (old) \$11.75 n.
Star Ferry, \$73 n.
China Lights, (old) \$19.80 b.
H. K. Electric, \$724 b.
Macao Electric, \$23 b.
Telephones, \$9.65 b.
China Buses, Tls. 163 b.
Singapore Traction, 10/- s.

Industrials.
China Sugar, \$1 n.
Malabon, \$27 n.
Cald: Mac. Ord: Tls. 11 n.
Canton Iron, \$2.50 n.
Cements (Camb.), \$15.60 s.
Kopas, \$7.35 b.
United Asbestos, \$5 b.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farm, \$22.90 b.
Watsons, \$11.75 b.
Der A. Wings, \$80 s.
Lanc. Cr. Works, \$1 n.
Mackintosh, \$18 b.
Sincron, \$12 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$28 b.
Constructions, \$131 b.
B'que Ind. G. Bonds, 59 n.
H. K. G. Loan 5% s. Prem.

Mr. Denis Blake, of the law firm of Wilkinson and Grist, playing at Failing yesterday, did the seventh hole on the Old Course, playing from the back tee, in one. This is a most commendable feat, on which he has been heartily congratulated.

In accordance with the long-established practice, a bottle of Johnny Walker whisky (donated by the distillers to all who do a hole in one) has already been presented to Mr. Blake by the local agents, Messrs. Coldbeck, Macgregor and Co.

Taking advantage of the fact that he was formerly employed at the house, a Chinese walked into No. 377, Shanghai Street and took a set of mah jongg, the owner thinking that the man had been sent to get the cards by her husband. On subsequently discovering that the husband had not sent the man for the set the thief was arrested and on his appearance before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning sentence of one month's hard labour was imposed.

\$1,000 PER MINUTE FOR WAR.

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sea until she knew how far others were prepared to meet her by reducing their armaments on land and in the air.—Reuter.

A Powerful Stimulus.

London, Feb. 8. The Times in a leading article, says that the memorandum setting forth the policy of the British Government, following the important statement made by Mr. Stimson, the American delegate, will give a powerful stimulus to public interest in the Naval Conference.

Where the two documents deal with the same subject they are in such close accord that nothing delays a final settlement between the two countries, except the fact that the terms of any arrangement between them must be conditioned by arrangements made with and between the other three powers.

The ideal treaty with which it is hoped to consummate the work of the conference is a treaty limiting the programmes of all five Powers. The substantial accord of the British and American views is more significant, in that the British memorandum, although issued in the name only of British Government, has been discussed with delegations of all the Dominions and approved by them, so that it is, in effect, the considered statement of policy of the whole British Empire.

It is of hopeful augury for the success of the Conference that on the issues between them the representatives of United States and of the nations included in the British Empire should have reached conclusions so closely in agreement.—British Wireless.

Additional Capital Ships?

Tokyo, Feb. 8. While the Foreign Office continues reticent regarding the contents of the American proposals, Jiji reveals details which are understood to be considered virtually correct. These include Japan with 40,000 tons in submarines, and Britain and America with 60,000, Japan a sixty per cent ratio in light cruisers and destroyers, and 12 eight inch cruisers, though it is not clear whether this includes four of the Furutaka class, thus giving 108,000 tons, or all 10,000 ton ships giving 120,000 tons.

It is also proposed that America should build an additional capital ship for the purpose of attaining parity with Britain, while Japan is also permitted to build one more.

Though reticent regarding details, the Foreign Office is obviously perturbed and admits that some of the proposals appear to make no allowance for Japan's present number of vessels, while her claim to 70 per cent ratio is entirely disregarded.—Reuter.

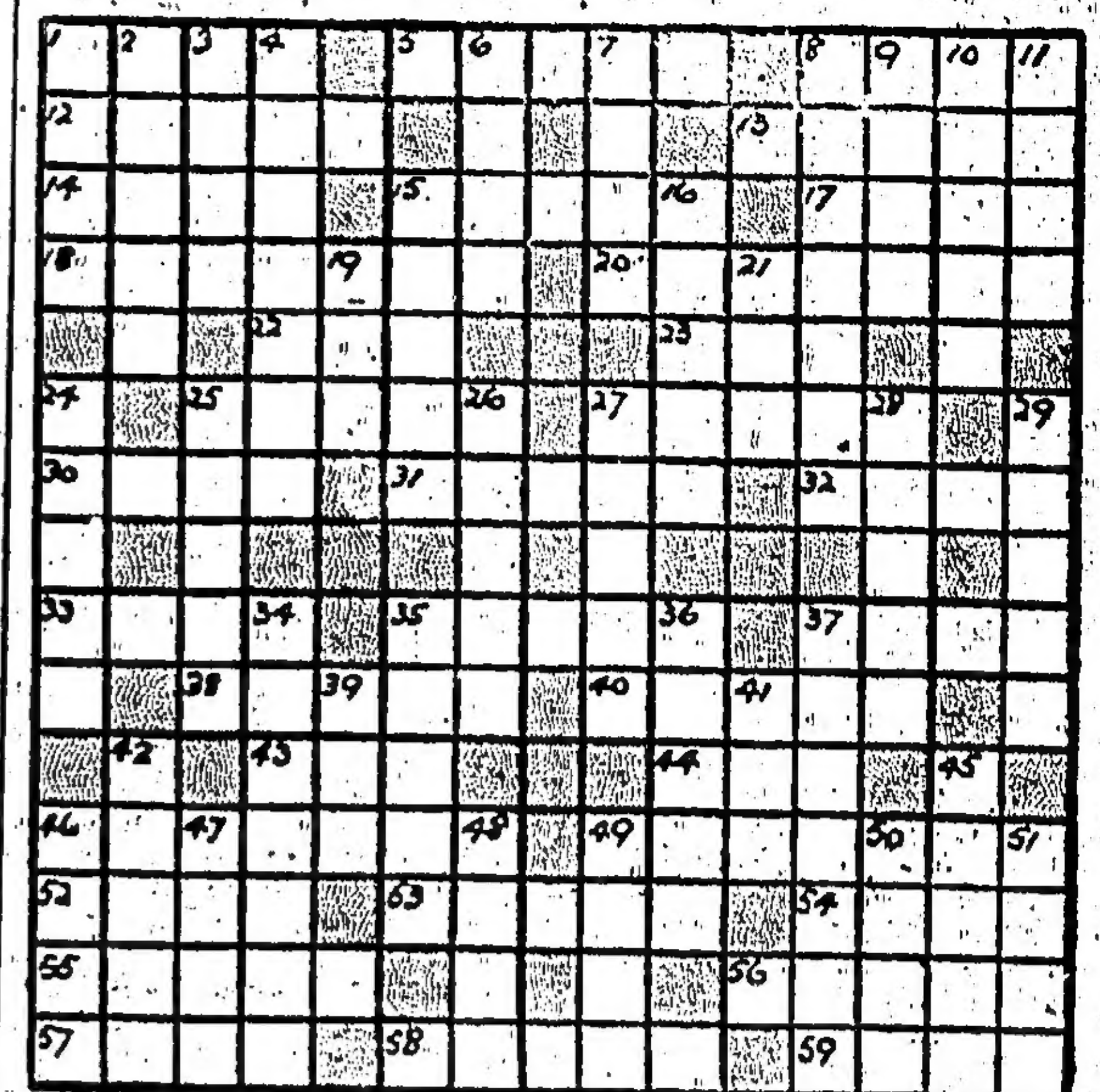
A Responsive Chord.

Later. The desire to see the ultimate abolition of capital ships, expressed in the British statement, appears to have struck a responsive chord in Japan, where officials state that Japan favours the suggestion in principle.

The leading vernacular papers have lately been showing themselves in sympathy, while naval circles intimate that they are by no means opposed, though they emphasize that abolition would necessitate the virtual scrapping of the Washington agreement and the drawing up of a new one, recognising the fundamental change in the strategic position in the Far East introduced thereby.

Japan, it is emphasised, accepted the 60 per cent for capital ships, on the condition that no bases available for such vessels should be constructed within striking distance of Japan, but if capital ships be abolished then 10,000 ton vessels would become

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25 Verse.
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30 Rigid.
31 Infate.
32 Orient.
33 Fall in drops.
35 Remaining fragment.
37 Turn round.
38 Lid.
40 Dullard.
43 Tear.
44 Pole.
46 Army shop.
48 Showing blind attachment.
52 Boundary.
53 Boundary.
54 Have existence.
55 Incorrect.
56 Ancient.
57 Dispatch.
58 Pithy.
59 Observes.

Down.

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8 Deserve.

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LADIES' HOCKEY.

COMPETITION FOR CAER CLARK CUP.

The third match for the Caer Clark Cup took place on the K.B.S.F.P. A ground at King's Park on Saturday afternoon when the Kowloon Ladies' Hockey Club defeated the Hongkong Ladies' Hockey Club by two goals to one.

The teams were as follows:
Kowloon—Misses M. Mason, M. Woolley, M. George, P. Woolley, D. Pinget, P. Whitley, P. Anslow, V. Eastman, N. Field, M. Groundwater and E. Woolley.
Hongkong—Misses J. Smalley, M. Bird, F.D.C. Luck, E. O'Hagan, E.R. Bell, M.L. Wallace, J.C. Bell, C.M. Ferguson, D.F. Stanton, M. Smalley and M. Bishop.

The game was an exciting and keenly contested one, both sides playing up well. During the first half of the game neither side scored, but soon after the resumption, Miss Mason opened the scoring for Kowloon and Miss Margaret Woolley added another point shortly after.

American proposals, adopt a milder tone, and though they oppose the American suggestion that Japan should accept a sixty per cent ratio in cruisers, insist that she should reconsider this point.

Both papers express regret that the Stimson statement spells expansion of armaments instead of their reduction.—Reuter.

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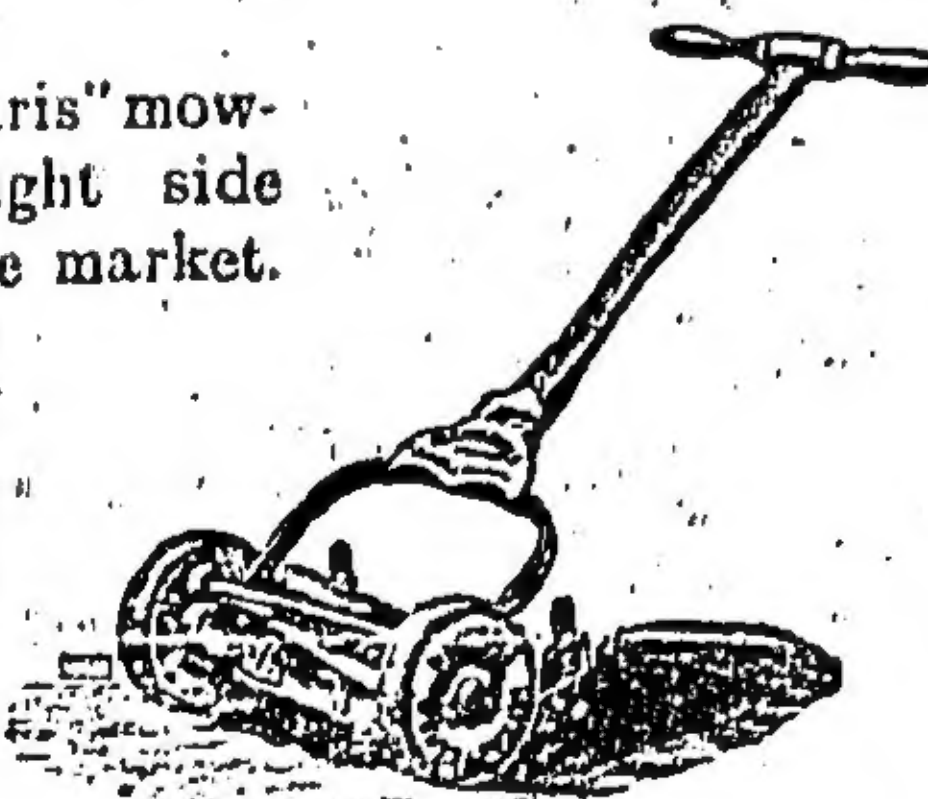
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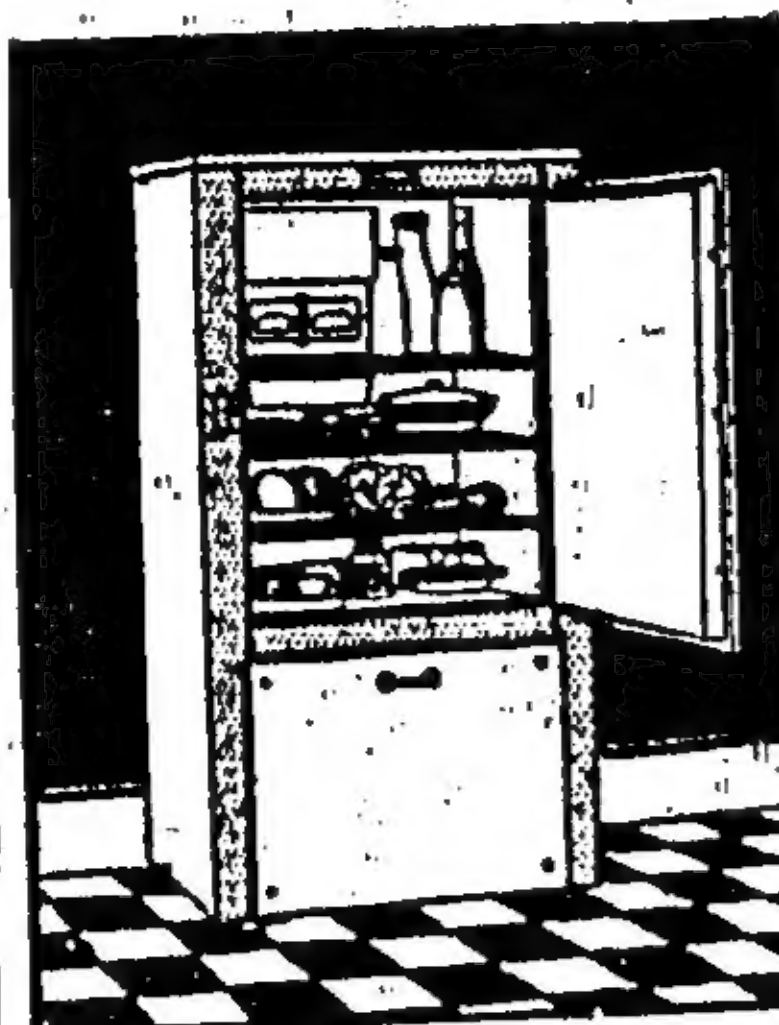
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NAVAL CONFERENCE HOPES.

Whilst it would be premature to suggest that all difficulties have been overcome, there would appear to be good grounds for thinking that very considerable progress has been made at the Naval Conference in London, with the promise of an eventual agreement destined to have far-reaching effects in regard to naval disarmament. From the start, it became obvious that the ideas of the Governments represented could most usefully be studied in committee and by separate contact between the various delegations. This has been done, and the position has now been clarified by the putting forward of the American proposals and the issuing of a memorandum outlining Britain's policy. The latter represents a most important contribution towards a solution of the problem, and, taken in conjunction with the suggestions made by the United States, it appears not only to indicate definite means of dealing with all points of immediate concern, but to show the way to a larger and more comprehensive agreement than will at first be possible.

The keynote of the British memorandum, which has obviously been drawn up in consultation with Admiralty experts, is that the present Conference should be regarded as but the beginning of a series of parleys and agreements which will all conduce towards a strengthening of the foundations of peace. It is suggested that the present Conference should not only reduce existing fleets and building programmes, but that it should seek to end naval competition. Whilst equilibrium must be maintained by international agreements, this, it is pointed out, will not be secured by mere numerical equality in ships and tonnage, but by the adoption of agreed programmes based on considerations of requirements. The first need, therefore, is to reach agreement not only upon global tonnage, but upon the size of individual ships in the various categories, and upon the tonnage to be used by each nation in each of these categories. These two points are regarded by Britain as essential if security is to be obtained. As a general statement on the issues involved, there is likely to be little if any opposition to this declaration of the aims of the Conference. The Memorandum then goes

on to deal in detail with the various definite and concrete proposals. It is upon the reaction of the other Powers to these suggestions that the success or failure of the Conference is likely to turn. Viewed broadly, they seem to open up the way for a very satisfactory agreement, in which, with slight modifications, it will be found possible to meet the views of all the delegations.

One point emerging from the British memorandum which is likely to be generally approved is the suggestion that there should be no finality about such decisions as are reached by the London conference. The idea put forward is that there should be periodical conferences and agreements which should be reviewed from time to time according to the conditions prevailing. The advantages of this method will be at once apparent. Experience will show the value of decisions taken, and we have no doubt that as time goes on it will be found possible to consolidate the position and so once and for all put an end to foolish competition which not only results in utterly unnecessary expenditure but which, if persisted in, must increase the risks of war. The dominating fact is that all the nations represented at the Conference have renounced war as an instrument of national policy. That being the case, the task of making provision for purely defensive needs ought not to be unduly difficult. The frankness and sincerity so far displayed, encourage the reasonable hope that the calling of the Conference will be abundantly justified.

Parliament's Task.

Recent all-night sittings of the House of Commons show that sooner or later, Parliament will be compelled to consider some method of relieving the extraordinary and increasing pressure of business, under which it labours. The situation grows more and more difficult as time goes on and important matters are frequently subject to serious delay because the Government "cannot find time in this session" to deal with it. The Rt. Hon. Mr. J. H. Thomas has made repeated complaints on this score, in reference to the many small Bills necessary before his unemployment schemes can be put into operation. The time, therefore, is ripe for suggestions of the kind brought forward by Mr. F. W. Jowett, the Labour M.P. for Bradford East. Mr. Jowett's plan is that all Bills should be dealt with on the lines followed in regard to less vital measures. Every legislative proposal, whether of real significance or not, would be placed in the hands of a special committee, to which each party would contribute members, according to their strength in the House. The House would merely be left with the task of rejecting or accepting such Bills as had passed through one of these committees. This method would do away with lengthy discussions by the Committee of the whole House, and effect a considerable saving of time. By these means also one objectionable result of the present system would be removed. At present, under pressure, Parliament is forced to pass through Acts insufficiently protected, which are subsequently varied by supplementary legislation and Orders in Council. Parliament in these circumstances experiencing considerable difficulty in maintaining its effective control of legislation. The only question is whether Mr. Jowett's plan would not produce a worse state than the first. There would be a danger of Parliament becoming merely a ratifying assembly, while too much reliance upon committees might have the effect of disfranchising a large part of the House.

EXCHANGE RATES.

London, Feb. 9.

Paris	124.11
New York	4.86 15/32
Geneva	25.10
Amsterdam	12.12 1/2
Milan	32.93
Berlin	20.365
Stockholm	18.135
Copenhagen	18.175
Oslo	18.215
Vienna	34.65
Prague	164.4
Helsingfors	109.3
Madrid	38.975
Lisbon	108.25
Athens	375
Bucharest	318
Rio	5.0/10
Buenos Aires	42.4
Bombay	1/5.20/32
Shanghai	1/11 1/4
Hongkong	1/8 1/4
Yokohama	2/0 1/4
Silver (spot)	20.7/16
Silver (forward)	20 1/2

—British Wireless.

DAY BY DAY.

THERE CANNOT BE A SURE PROOF OF LOW ORIGIN, OR OF AN INNATE MEANNESS OF DISPOSITION, THAN TO BE ALWAYS TALKING AND THINKING OF BEING GENTLE. — Hazlitt.

The P. and O. s.s. Kalyan, from Singapore is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

The P. & O. s.s. "Rajputana" from Hongkong arrived at London on the 7th February.

The Swedish East Asiatic Company's motor vessel Delhi, from Antwerp, is due here on March 27th.

H.E. the Officer Administering the Government is to distribute the prizes at Queen's College on the 19th instant.

The return of notifiable diseases for the past two days shows one Chinese case of small-pox and one non-Chinese case of diphtheria.

The Empress of Australia, on her round-the-world tour, is due at Manila from Bangkok to-morrow, and should arrive in Hongkong on Friday at 8 a.m.

Two mistresses of cargo boats were fined \$5 each at the Marine Court this morning for lying outside of five other boats alongside the s.s. Hirundo.

The mistress of a passenger boat pleaded guilty when she was brought up at the marine board this morning for carrying five passengers in excess of the number allowed by her licence. She was fined \$10.

For hawking on board the s.s. Sungshan Maru without a licence, a Chinese was fined \$25 this morning at the Marine Court before the Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole. His Worship said that as a licence cost \$24, he could not possibly impose a fine smaller than that sum.

A Chinese woman, named Poon Pui-sam, aged 23 years, has been sent to the Government Civil Hospital, suffering from the effects of opium poisoning. She was found lying in an unconscious condition in her cubicle at 156, Connaught Road Central. Attempted suicide is suspected.

A young Chinese appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning on a charge of riding a bicycle in a dangerous manner by describing circles in Public Square Street. His Worship remarked it was an absurd way to ride a bicycle and imposed a fine of \$5.

Charged at the Marine Court this morning, before the Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole, with boarding the s.s. Tonkin without permission, a Chinese stated that he was called on board by one of the crew to sweep rice in the hold. Defendant was fined \$10 or 10 days' hard labour.

On Friday, February 14th, Mr. E. Cock, M.B.E., A.M.I.C.E., M.I.N.A., will give a lecture under the auspices of the University Engineering Society at 8.30 p.m. in the main building of the University, entitled "The Evolution of Ships and their method of Propulsion." The lecture will be illustrated.

Charged with being in unlawful possession of three brass steam valves, a Chinese, who appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, said that he had taken the valves from a ship which had already left port. His Worship pointed out that it was a serious form of theft, and sentenced the defendant to one month's hard labour.

Several Chinese appeared before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning on charges of larceny of iron bars from building contractors' sheds. In most cases the defendants were sentenced to one month's imprisonment without the option of a fine, while one man was given two months' hard labour, he having a previous conviction for stealing.

With reference to the report of outbreak of fire on board the N.Y.K. new Orient-California liner, "Tatsumi Maru," at Nagasaki, we are informed by the local office that according to cable advice to hand from the Head Office, Tokyo, the damage done by the fire is not serious and that this vessel's schedule is unchanged, so that her maiden voyage from Hongkong will still be on the 14th April, next.

Intimating that he thought a man of 49 years of age was too old for birching, Mr. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, sentenced a Chinese to ten months' hard labour for returning from banishment, he having been deported in September last, following two charges of larceny. A female banished was sentenced to eight months' imprisonment, she having been deported in May, 1928, for five years under the Opium Ordinance.

CORRESPONDENCE.

The O.B.E. Decoration.

[To The Editor of Hongkong Telegraph.]

Sir,—In your column, "Bulls and Inners," dated Saturday, February 8th, which is usually entertaining and in good taste, you publish a paragraph as follows:—"Talking of adornment, why not help out the Gold and Silver Wreath Drawers Co. by deciding that all 'O.B.E.'s and other wearers of decorations should be suitably done up in gold braid?"

This paragraph, Sir, is not worthy of your paper. It is merely rather a cheap jest against an Order instituted by H.M. the King, and those of us who have the honour to hold this Order naturally feel that such remarks as these are not in the best taste. I myself, in company with many others, was made an "Officer of the Most Honourable Order of the British Empire" (Military Division) for services rendered during the War, and I was personally invested with it by H.M. the King at Buckingham Palace. I am proud of it, and so are all of us who possess it.

Thus I wish to protest against a paragraph which you have published ridiculing this Most Honourable Order.—Yours, etc., "O.B.E."

Hongkong, February 8th, 1930.

POLICE RESERVE.

ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve orders by the Hon. Mr. E. D. C. Wolfe, C. M.G., Inspector-General of Police state: The following is an extract from the Government Gazette dated 7th February 1930:—"His Excellency the Officer Administering the Government has been pleased to re-appoint Mr. Dudley Leonard King to be Deputy Superintendent of Police (Reserve) on his return from leave, with effect from 7th February, 1930.

Indian Company.

Leave.—Constables R204 A. Karim and R228 Lal Khan have been granted 8 months' leave of absence from the Colony as from February 4th, and February 8th, 1930.

Flying Squad.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Kowloon Section will take place on Tuesday, February 11th. Fall in at the Tsim-tsa-tui Fire Brigade Station at 5.30 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

The weekly instructional patrol of the Hongkong Section will take place on Friday, February 14th. Fall in at the Central Police Station at 5.15 p.m. sharp. Dress—Winter Uniform and Cap with White Cover.

Sharnshooters' Company.

Rifle Instruction.—This will be given each Thursday afternoon during the next three weeks at the office of the O. I/c Company at 5.15 p.m. Members will bring their rifles.
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BLOWN OUT OF THE HARBOUR.

JUNKMASTER'S EXCUSE AT MARINE COURT.

That he was carried out of harbour limits by strong winds was the plea submitted by the master of a cargo junk when he was brought before the Hon. Commr. G. F. Hole, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, charged with attempting to leave the port during prohibited hours, without a permit.

Pleading guilty, defendant stated that he was carrying a cargo of kerosene from Kennedy Town to Stonecutters. There was a strong wind blowing at the time with the result that he was blown out of his course.

Sgt. Pearson said that on February 8 at about 9.30 p.m., he saw the defendant's junk proceeding west from Kennedy Town. She passed Green Island on the north side and was going towards Capsulung. Witness confirmed the fact that there was quite a strong wind blowing from east to west.

After consulting the chart, his Worship said even if a strong easterly wind was blowing, it could not have carried the defendant to Kaulshan, where he was arrested by Sgt. Pearson.

Defendant was fined \$25 or three weeks.

The Very Idea!

Thus a writer in a Home paper:—I wonder why the telephone should be subject to attacks of atmospheric. I am only diagnosing the complaint by its likeness to the disease which affects wireless receivers, for the symptoms seem very much the same. The other day I was rung up. The ensuing conversation went something like this:

"Is that Mr. Simple?"
"Speaking."
"This is clock-clock, clock-clock, clock-clock."
"I'm afraid I didn't catch your name."

"I say this is clock-clock, clock-clock, and I want to ask you whether clock-clock, crack!"
"Sorry, I can't hear you. I'll get another line." (I get another line, and the conversation is resumed.)
"Can you hear me now?"
"Yes, splendidly!"
"Well, I am clock-clock, crack-r-r-r BANG!"

This last explosion is so painful that I ask Mr. Clock-Clock if he would mind writing. I gather between clockings that he will do so, and the conversation ends. It is very annoying; but it is the high explosive bang to which I most object. It can be physically painful.

"Here's a tip for you, laddie," said the dour-looking member as he was entering the club-house after a round of golf.
"Thank you, sir," replied his caddy expectantly.
"Go home at once. You big clouds mean rain."

Woman at Stratford: He started practising Carpera [the giant Italian boxer] on me.

Defendant: I wish I was him. I should get a lot more cash than I do now.

Mr. Halkett, the Marylebone Magistrate: The real trouble in this country is that a large proportion of the population expect to have everything without working for it.

Motorist at Kingston: I sold my car for £1 as "scrap" and forgot to notify the change of ownership. Man at Tottenham: I made a resolution never to drink again, but on celebrating it the drink got me down.

Prisoner at Chertsey: A public-house is often spoken of as a chemist's shop.

Motorist at Acton: I was on the right all right when I was on my left.

A country parson received "a call" to a more remunerative post. "Has your father decided what to do?" asked the inquisitive one of the young son.

"I haven't been told," the boy replied, "but father is praving for light, and mother is packing the boxes."

Sunday School Mistress: Which is the first important sacrament? Marie: Baptism, miss.

"No," said the mistress, "marriage."

Not in our family, miss.

When charged before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistrate's Court this morning, with causing unnecessary cruelty to two chickens, a Chinese woman of Kowloon City, was fined \$5.

WHO WAS..... MRS. GENERAL?

Mrs. General is the author of that famous piece of advice for the formation of a small, genteel mouth. "Papa, potatoes, poultry, prunes and prim, are all very good words for the lips." You will find it serviceable in the formation of a demourner if you sometimes say to yourselves in company—on entering a room, for instance—Papa, potatoes, poultry, prunes and prim, and Mrs. General to Little Dorrit, whose mind and manners she had been engaged to "form."

When she took over the education of Mr. Dorrit's daughters, Mrs. General was forty-five and a widow; a very imposing person, straight of back, voluminous of skirt, imperturbable of manner, with eyes as expressionless as china balls, and brows unfurrowed by thought. Propriety was her god, and convention her altar, and naught else was suffered to find a place in her conception of the universe.

She had no opinions, nor did she permit her young charges to indulge in them, believing them to be most unadvisable apprenticeships. Her system of education consisted of stuffing her pupils' intelligence to its minimum limit, and applying a varnish of politeness to whatever was left.

In spite of her exquisite gentility, Mrs. General was not too proud to set her cap at Mr. Dorrit, as you may read in Dickens' novel, "Little Dorrit."

MYSTERIOUS LOSS OF DIAMONDS.

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skill is imputable to him as gross negligence.

But as it might possibly become of importance in the event of an appeal, I think it well to deal with the evidence adduced as to whether the defendants were gratuitous bailees or bailees for reward.

Plaintiff's Case.

The plaintiff, Louis Kornitzer, stated that by an arrangement between himself and the other plaintiffs, he was to act as a salesman of precious stones in China and the East, and that for the purpose of facilitating his business he opened an account in August, 1921, with the defendants. He says that he informed M. de Broc, the cashier of the local branch, at the time of opening the account, that his Antwerp correspondents would address packets containing valuable stones to him c/o the local branch, and that he, Louis Kornitzer, adopted this method of procedure because he had no settled place of business in Hongkong and wished to avoid any question as to the condition in which the packets were received. I have not been able to read this statement, and others of a similar kind, to mean that Louis Kornitzer opened an account with the defendants and that a term of the arrangement was that the local branch should receive and keep safely all packets addressed to him to their care, though it is clear that one of the reasons which, in addition to business considerations, induced him to open an account with the defendants, was the convenience and security of having packets addressed to him at the local branch.

T.T. Business.

It was also argued, on behalf of the plaintiffs, that the defendants were bailees for reward in consequence of what Louis Kornitzer calls a "verbal understanding," that he should do T.T. business through them. But when the evidence on this point is looked at, it is clearly seen that there was no binding agreement by Louis Kornitzer to do this class of business through the defendants. Louis Kornitzer only states that he promised to give them as much business as he could, provided the rates of exchange offered by the local branch were not considerably higher than those of other banks.

The evidence shows that T.T. business to the extent of \$239,000 was put through by the defendants for him, but on the other hand Louis Kornitzer remitted \$181,000 to Antwerp through four other banks in Hongkong. No claim has ever been made on behalf of the defendants that all T.T. business should have been done through them and it is clear, from the evidence that it was never in contemplation of the parties that the defendants were to be the sole agents of Louis Kornitzer for this purpose. He used their services as well as those of other banks, to suit his own interests and convenience.

Not a Consideration.

Though the defendants did receive benefit from this source, it was not the result of any agreement and was independent of the permission given to Louis Kornitzer to have packets sent to him from Antwerp, addressed to him c/o the local branch and cannot, therefore, be considered as consideration given for the receipt by the defendants of packets addressed to Louis Kornitzer at the local branch.

I hold, therefore, that in respect of the arrangement as to the receipt of packets coming to between Louis Kornitzer and the defendants, the latter were gratuitous bailees of any packets addressed to Louis Kornitzer c/o the local branch and received by them. The only evidence given in support of the plaintiffs' case of gross negligence, if the defendants are gratuitous bailees, or if lack of ordinary and reasonable care if they are bailees for reward, was inability of the defendants to deliver the packet of diamonds in question in this action when called upon to do so, because of its alleged loss, and the absence of any explanation by the defendants as to the circumstances attendant upon such loss.

The Safe Question.

In the course of his evidence, Louis Kornitzer also mentioned the fact that in the case of other similar packets received by the local branch on his behalf, he had noticed that on one or more occasions, when he called for a packet, it was on the top of a safe in the general office of the local branch, and was handed to him from that place, but he did not allege that this method of keeping a packet handy to deliver to him when he called for it was negligent or showed any absence of care, nor did he, when he observed what was being done by the local branch, raise any objection.

When the case for the plaintiffs was closed, Mr. Potter, K.C., who appeared for the defendants, submitted that there was no case. He called my attention to "Giblin v. McMullen," and relied strongly on a passage from the judgment of Lord Chelmsford, who gave the judgment of the Board, which is to the following effect:—"If, therefore, the plaintiff's evidence in this case was such that it fell short of proving the bank to have been guilty of that species of negligence which would render to an action, he (i.e. the presiding Judge at the trial) ought to have withdrawn the case from the jury and directed a non-suit." And a little later on, in the judgment, Lord Chelmsford puts the question which was under the consideration of the Court in the following terms, "Did the plaintiff, then, give any evidence of the bank having been guilty of that degree of negligence which renders a gratuitous bailee liable for the loss of property deposited with him?"

Privy Council Decision.

It was further argued on behalf of the defendants that "Giblin v. McMullen" was a decision of the Privy Council and bound this Court, even if there were decisions to the opposite effect of the English Courts.

If the mere alleged loss of an article, unaccompanied by any explanation of the circumstances attendant upon such loss, raises *prima facie* case against a bailee, then I am of opinion that I ought to have held that there was no case for the defendants to answer. At first sight it would appear as if affirmative evidence of negligence must be given, according to the judgment in "Giblin v. McMullen" but in that case all the facts relating to the keeping of the box of securities belonging to the plaintiff and deposited with the defendants in that case were known to the former and proved as part of his case. These facts were such as to negative negligence in the bailee and consequently no presumption could arise as to a case where the bailee merely stated that the article deposited was lost and contended no explanation of the circumstances under which the loss occurred or might have occurred.

Possible Hardship.

If the argument is correct that "Giblin v. McMullen" requires that in all cases brought by the bailor against a bailee, the former must give affirmative evidence of negligence, then the position of a bailor is one that may involve him in great hardship. In most cases he can only prove the delivery to the bailee and the fact that on demand the article deposited was not returned, the facts attendant on the loss can, in the great majority of cases, only be known to the bailee. A bailee need only allege loss and if the bailor cannot give affirmative evidence of negligence, the latter must be held to have failed in his claim. If such is the law I must apply it, regardless of hardship.

But apart from "Giblin v. McMullen," and even that case does not, for the reasons I have given, seem to me to impose such a serious disability on a bailor, authorities to which reference is made below, appear to me to establish the rule that where only the fact of loss is known to him that this may be *prima facie* evidence of negligence on the part of a bailee and at least call upon him for an explanation.

A Lost Dog.

In "Phipps v. New Claridge Hotel Limited," a guest at an hotel had entrusted three dogs to the care of the defendants. They were put in a room which was locked, and the key remained in the possession of the defendants' servants. When later in the day the plaintiff sent for the dogs, one of them was missing. Bray J. in the course of his judgment is reported as saying "When it was once proved that this dog was placed in the defendants' custody as an ordinary bailment, it was their duty to show some circumstances which negated the idea of negligence on their part. No such evidence had been placed before him."

Proper Care.

In giving the judgment of the Court of Appeal in "Bullen v. The Swan Electric Engraving Company" Sir Gorell Barnes said "They were left, therefore, to the consideration of well-known principles of law. One of these was that a gratuitous bailee must show that the loss occurred through no want of reasonable care on his part—that was to say, as much care as a prudent man would use in keeping his own property. The plaintiff's contention was that the defendants must show that the loss happened in some way they could account for, and that in relation to that

particular matter and at that particular moment of time proper care was taken. No authority has been cited for such a proposition as that. It was enhancing the burden of proof upon a defendant to an absurd extent if he had to prove not only that he had taken reasonable care but also that he knew how the loss happened." In "Bullen v. The Swan Electric Engraving Company" the defendants were held to be gratuitous bailees but in my opinion at least an equal responsibility would be imposed on a bailee for reward.

This particular aspect of the liability of a bailee is also fully dealt with by Wright J. in the course of his judgment in "Gosse v. Canadian Government Merchant Marine."

As I have said, the defendants admit the receipt and loss of the particular packet of diamonds in question in this case but they say that they are unable to state how and when the loss occurred. But they called a witness, a M. Piquet, who was from August, 1920, to about July, 1921, correspondence clerk to the local branch. Then he was second accountant for a few months, became cashier in May, 1922, and remained in that position until he went on leave some time in 1924. He stated that the correspondence clerk dealt with the mail received by the local branch itself on behalf of customers. If a registered parcel arrived for a customer, care of the local branch, the correspondence clerk would give a receipt to the postman and then place the parcel inside a compartment of a safe which stood in the general office. The chief accountant kept the key of this safe and the compartment above referred to was kept locked. If mail arrived in the absence of the chief accountant, it was placed on the top of the safe or on his desk because he always kept the key of the compartment above referred to.

Access to Safe.

M. Piquet stated that this last mentioned procedure probably accounts for the statement made by Louis Kornitzer as to registered parcels being taken from the top of the safe and handed to him. The probability was that the chief accountant was busy when the parcels arrived and so the correspondence clerk may have placed the parcels on the top of the safe, awaiting the attention of the chief accountant.

M. Piquet went on to say that if there were any registered parcels on top of the safe when the luncheon or closing hour arrived, they would be placed inside the safe and the outer door of the safe would be locked by the chief accountant. If the registered parcel was too bulky to be locked up in the safe it would be placed in the strong room. He also gave evidence to the effect that during banking hours no one except the staff of the bank had access to the safe in which the registered mail was kept and that no stranger could have approached it without passing the clerks at work in the general office.

M. Piquet further stated that at no time did he have reason to suspect any member of the staff of dishonesty.

Unfortunately, M. Prudhon, who was correspondence clerk when the lost packet was received, is dead, but it was argued on behalf of the plaintiffs that there were other employees of the defendants, French, Portuguese, Chinese and Annamite, at the local branch at the time of the loss, who might have been called, or whose evidence might have been taken on commission.

The answer of the bank to this criticism is that they have called

CHINESE CONVICTS MUTINY.

SEVEN HUNDRED PRISONERS STAGE A RIOT.

OUTBREAK QUELLED.

A serious outbreak at the Zau Oo Ching prison, in Lungwha, near Shanghai, was averted recently by the timely arrival of reinforcements in the persons of soldiers and police constables. The convicts, some 700 in number, angered over the prison fare, started a mutiny and for a time were almost in complete control of the prison.

According to information obtained later by the prison officials, the convicts were incited to mutiny by one of their number, an alleged Communist, who is 'stated to have led the other convicts to believe that the fare in other Chinese prisons was better than that given them.

The officials of the prison were aware that the convicts were grumbling and were dissatisfied, but the riot was held at a time when they were unprepared for it. At a signal from their leader, the convicts, whilst in the messroom, rose in a body, seized furniture or anything they could lay their hands on, attacked the prison guards, destroyed property and attempted to smash their way out of the place.

A telephone call was hurriedly sent in to police and to the military, the result being that within a few minutes about 100 armed soldiers and police arrived on the scene. The convicts, however, at first were inclined to battle the soldiers and constables, but after a number of shots had been fired in the air they subsided and sullenly gave up the struggle.

The soldiers and police, fearing another outbreak, stood by during the rest of the day and all of the night. The following morning a portion of the soldiers and police were withdrawn.

The only witness whose evidence could be of assistance, the evidence of a M. Korwin, who in October, 1922, and subsequent to the loss in question in this case, came to the Bank as sub-manager, had also been taken *de bene esse* but it was not read as it said no more than M. Piquet deposed to. In any case, there is nothing to show that the employees who were not called could have given any material evidence, and I see no reason for disbelieving the statement made on behalf of the defendants.

I am of opinion that the procedure adopted by the local branch with regard to the handling of registered mail received by them on behalf of customers was a reasonable one and shows that they acted with care and prudence in the carrying out of the responsibilities imposed upon them by the law. I can see nothing in the case to affect them with gross negligence or with any absence of the care which a reasonably prudent or careful man would have taken if the packet lost had been his own.

I hold, therefore, that the defendants have discharged the onus thrown upon them, on the principle laid down in "Bullen v. The Swan Electric Engraving Company" (supra) by the admitted loss of the parcel of diamonds in question in these proceedings, and that they are entitled to judgment in their favour with costs.

HOME FOOTBALL.

RESULTS OF SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

The results of Saturday's Home football, as cabled by Reuter, were:

First Division.	
Arsenal	4 Everton
Aston Villa	2 Bolton
Blackburn	5 Manchester
Leeds	5 Sunderland
Liverpool	1 Leicester
Manchester C.	0 Manchester U.
Newcastle	0 Birmingham
Nottingham	3 Bristol U.
Preston	3 Derby
Sheffield	4 Burnley
West Ham	2 Grimsby

Second Division.

Blackpool	1 Barnsley
Bradford C.	1 Preston N.B.
Bury	1 Bradford
Carlisle	1 Millwall
Chelsea	2 West Brom.
Hull	4 Reading
Notts. Forest	0 Tottenham
Stock	1 Southampton
Swansea	1 Notts. County
Wolves	1 Cardiff
	1 Bristol C.

Third Division (South).

Bournemouth	1 Walsall
Bradford	5 Watford
Brighton	5 Newport
Bristol R.	2 Torquay
Clapton O.	3 Coventry
Exeter	1 Norwich
Gillingham	0 Plymouth
Luton	3 Queen's P.R.
Northampton	2 Crystal Pal.
Southend	1 Fulham
Merthyr	3 Swindon

Third Division (North).

Carlisle	7 Barrow
Chesterfield	3 York
Crewe	1 Stockport
Halifax	3 Darlington
Lincoln	3 Doncaster
Nelsan	2 Port Vale
Rochdale	3 St. Shields
Rotherham	2 Accrington
Southport	2 New Brighton
Tranmere	7 Hartlepool
Wigan	2 Wrexham

Scottish League.

Airdrie	2 Motherwell
Ayr	0 Falkirk
Clyde	0 Hibernians
Cowdenbeath	2 St. Mirren
Dundee	2 Celtic
Hamilton	3 St. Johnstone
Hearts	0 Partick
Morton	1 Aberdeen
Queen's Park	1 Dundee U.
Rangers	4 Kilmarnock
Unplayed	

NANKING EXPLOSION.

CITY MUNITION DEPOT BLOWS UP.

Nanking, Feb. 8. A munition depot on Huayenkan Hill, in the city, exploded at two o'clock this afternoon.

There were no fatalities but more than ten people were injured through the collapse of buildings nearby.

The cause of the explosion has not yet been established.—Reuter.

Consulate Damaged.

Some houses in the vicinity of the factory were wrecked and some slight damage was done to the British Consul General's house.—Naval Wireless.

HO CHIEN'S "TERMS."

FINANCING ANTI-KWANGSI EXPEDITION.

Hankow, Feb. 9. Two Chinese military bombing planes, the *Shanghai* and the *Kiangsi*, left Hankow this morning for Canton.

General Ho Chien, who has been ordered to assist the Cantonese against the Kwangsi rebels has requested Nanking to pay him \$300,000 a month for troop maintenance, and also to provide 600,000 rounds of rifle ammunition and 60,000 rounds of machine gun ammunition.

He states that he cannot organize the expedition without an ample supply of money and ammunition.

SHANSI AND NANKING.

GOVERNMENT ASKED TO PAY FOR TROOPS.

Nanking, Feb. 9. The Nanking Government has been informed that an important military conference was held by the Shansi leaders yesterday and that a second meeting will take place to-morrow.

It is stated that Marshal Yen Hsi-shan will demand a huge sum for the maintenance of the Ku-minchun and Shansi troops.

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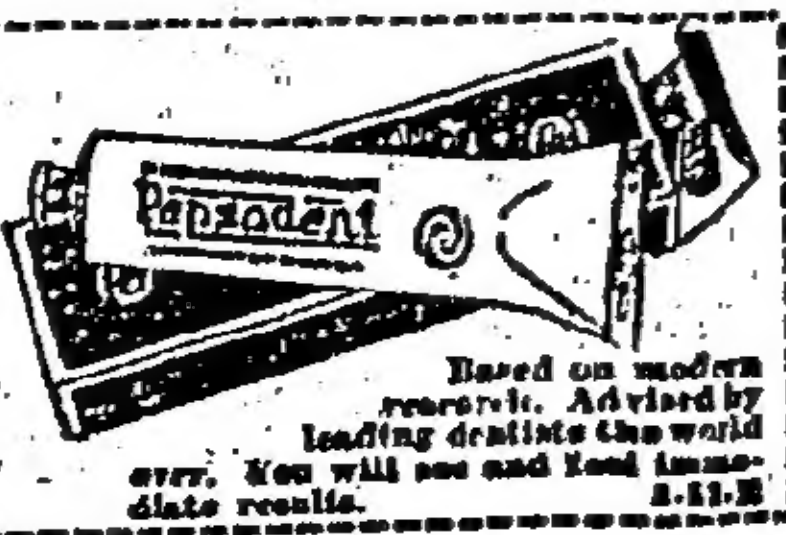
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THE WORLD OF SPORT

THE NAVY SPRING
SURPRISE.

COMBINED CHINESE BEATEN
YESTERDAY.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

By "Wanderer".

Yesterday's match, in which the Royal Navy defeated the Combined Chinese, provided the only surprise result over the week-end. On the previous day, practically the same Navy team had beaten the Royal Artillery by three clear goals.

The results were:—

Senior League.	
Royal Navy	3 R.A.
South China	4 St. Joseph's
Junior League.	
Athletic "A"	3 Ewo
Athletic "B"	4 R.A. Res.
Kowloon	3 University
Somerset	5 Club Res.
Navy Res.	2 S. China "A"
Eastern	2 S. China "B"
K. O. S. B.	5 St. Joseph's

Friendly Matches.

Combined Chinese	1 Navy
Kowloon	3 Ming Tak

NAVY WIN EASILY.

New Forwards Get Three Goals.

The Navy defeated the Royal Artillery with the greatest of ease, a brilliant exhibition by Fletcher, Taylor and Rawlings, the last lines of defence, alone preventing a much heavier score. The Navy made four forward changes from the team which they have been relying upon for the greater part of the season, and the newly-composed line, if less artistic, showed a much better conception of goal-getting requirements, taking the nearest route, and shooting at every opportunity.

The Navy dominated the game, the R.A. half-backs being over-run by a nippy forward line, while McGregor, Jones, Tilley and their colleagues in defence gave the R.A. forwards very little scope.

Peacock netted from a corner soon after the start, and second goal came from Cartwright some ten minutes after the interval. Peacock credited himself with the third goal after a delightful piece of individualism.

The R.A.'s scoring chances were few. Gill figured prominently in their occasional raids but his shooting was right off the target.

COLLEGE LOSE AGAIN.

Two Penalties Conceded Against South China.

St. Joseph's were more in the picture than the score of 4-1 would indicate, but while their forwards were prodigal with their chances at one end, their defenders were equally careless at the other, and two of South China's goals came as the result of penalty awards.

Gallagher had a splendid opportunity of giving St. Joseph's the lead before the game was five minutes old, but he potted wildly and within a quarter of an hour, they were two goals in arrears. Cheng Shu-hong netting easily from close in while Ip Pak-king had a warm time subsequently, but managed to keep his charges intact.

Cheng Shu-hong and Pau Ka-chuen (penalty) scored further goals after the interval, St. Joseph's coming back in the last ten minutes for Souza to reduce the margin.

There was not much to choose between the sides, St. Joseph's were not well served at back, however, and their forward play was very ragged. South China's play too was on the scrappy side, though they had a decided advantage forward. Ip Pak-king, Leung Wing-tak and Cheng Shu-hong all playing exceedingly well.

SURPRISE RESULT.

Navy Defeat the Combined Chinese.

Fielding a formidable side, drawn from the two elevens which put up such spirited displays in the struggle for the championship of China last week-end, the combined Chinese eleven were expected to defeat the Navy com-

INTERPORT GOLF.

HONGKONG EASILY WINS
OVER MANILA.

Hongkong concluded its interport golf programme on Saturday by soundly trouncing Manila, thus having come out on top against all-comers.

On Friday, the Hongkong players were six points up by winning all the fourballs, and on Saturday they won four of the six singles, thus securing victory on the match by ten points to two.

The weather was all that could be desired, being in marked contrast to that of Friday. Marton and Dodwell lost their matches, the former rather surprisingly, but on the whole, the Hongkong team was far superior to the Manila aggregation. The scores were:

Shewan beat Fielder	1 up.
Andrews beat Mason	5 and 4.
Wrigley beat Douglas	6 and 5.
Blaxham beat Colman	8 and 7.
Marton lost to Mackay	3 and 2.
Dodwell lost to Poytress	4 and 3.

FRANCE'S CHANCE.

IRELAND BEAT ENGLAND AT RUGBY.

Dublin, Feb. 8.
In an international rugby match, Ireland defeated England by four points to three.

There was an attendance of 40,000 to witness the game. The victory of the Irish team places France in a very favorable position of winning the Championship for the first time in history. The Irish tackling and their defensive work carried the day. England opened the scoring with a try through Novis and led by three points to nil at the interval, but by a ruse, Sugden, signalled Murray to drop back into an unmarked position and then he whipped the ball to him, resulting in Murray scoring a drop goal, to give Ireland the match. England were rattled thereafter and Ireland were unlucky not to have scored on two occasions.—Reuter.

FANLING GOLF.

THE CAPTAIN'S CUP
COMPETITION.

For the Captain's Cup Competition, played at Fanling over the week-end, H. U. Ireland qualified with a score of 71 (78-7). There were fifty entries, and other scores were:

P. J. de Rome	81-6=75.
J. A. Lammert	96-15=75.
A. B. Purves	85-9=76.
C. Mycock	95-18=77.
E. M. Ellis	91-14=77.

fortably yesterday. The Navy, with one exception, were represented by the eleven which defeated the Royal Artillery, and the combination gave another lively display, though on this occasion, it was more the defence which showed its qualities.

McGregor and Jones, individually and as a pair, more than confirmed the high opinions held regarding them since their first appearance for the Navy, and it was mainly their brilliant work which prevented the first-rate Chinese attack from obtaining the full fruits of their excellent efforts in midfield.

McGregor especially distinguished himself, again and again intervening when Li Wal-long appeared to be a certain scorer.

The Navy attack was not greatly in the picture in the first half, but after the interval Chan Shek-pui was kept constantly on the alert. Peacock beat him easily within ten minutes, and ten or so minutes later, Dickinson flashed in a brilliant shot from fifteen yards' range which beat the goalkeeper completely.

In the closing stages, Li Wal-long scored with a typical effort, a beautifully placed shot leaving Langlands helpless.

The Chinese should have made the game safe in the first half when they had the assistance of a strong wind, but their shooting was below par, and they could not shake off the attentions of the Navy defenders. The Navy were definitely the better team after the interval.

Another Friendly.

In a friendly game on Saturday, Kowloon's first eleven, with a levanteur of Somerset's players, defeated the Ming Tak F. C. by three goals to one. Excellent play was seen in the first half when Kowloon led 1-0, but Ming Tak could not stay the distance, and in the closing stages Kowloon did much as they wished, and dropped into the habit of playing to the gallery.

GYMKHANA AT KWANT.

EXCELLENT SPORT AT
YESTERDAY'S MEETING.

Delightful weather favoured the Gymkhana arranged by the officers of the 1st Bn. Somerset Light Infantry, which took place on the Kwanti course yesterday. Some excellent sport was witnessed, whilst some of the events were extremely amusing. The ladies rode especially well. The only untoward incident was when Lieut. Thicknesse fell in taking a hurdle in the Gymkhana Cup race and had the misfortune to dislocate his wrist. During the afternoon, much-enjoyed selections were rendered by the Somerset Band. The various events resulted as follows:

Gymkhana Cup.

Lt. Col. C. H. Little's Sunbch	(165 lbs.) (Mr. Worrall)	1
Mr. C. W. P. Richardson's Suro	(168 lbs.) (Mr. Richardson)	2
Mrs. Lake's Sheila	(165 lbs.) (Lt. Thicknesse)	3
Also ran: Bingo	(165 lbs.) (Mr. Thicknesse)	
Eclipse Eve	(168 lbs.) (Mr. Mockler)	
Strathorne	(168 lbs.) (Mr. Mattingley)	
Siang River	(165 lbs.) (Mr. Alms)	
and May	(172 lbs.) (Mr. Cave)	
Somerset Light Infantry Steeplechase		
Mr. C. H. Howard's Duke of		
Nieblung	(175 lbs.) (Mr. Arnold)	1
Mr. D. A. Cave's Movannagher	(175 lbs.) (Mr. Cave)	2
Mr. E. H. Worrall's Brown Eve	(175 lbs.) (Mr. Worrall)	3
Also ran: Fook Shan	(Mr. J. H. Alms)	
Snowflake	(Mr. S. J. Brice)	
Rosier	(Mr. A. O. Swayne)	
Ocean	(Mr. L. N. Evans)	
Lloyd	(Mr. H. St. B. Philpot)	

Saddling Race.

Mr. T. C. T. Beck's Strathorne	(Mr. Beck)	1
Mr. J. G. Shillington's Bingo	(Mr. Mattingley)	2
Also ran: Fook Shan	(Mr. Alms)	
Tiffin	(Mr. Worrall)	
Richardson	(Mr. Suro)	
Wish	(Mr. Digby)	
Welsh	(Mr. Cave)	

Mule Derby.

Bun (Pte. Thorley)	1
Suckle (Pte. Honeybun)	2
Stoppages (Pte. Barret)	3
Farmer's Boy (Pte. Petheram)	4

Market Race.

1st prize, Miss de Biere and Mr. Worrall.	
Service Mule Race.	
Mr. Whittier	1
Mr. Jones	2
Mr. Phillips	3

Ladies Mile.

Sunlock (Mrs. Lake)
 Samaritan (Miss Scott Harston)
 The Phrygian (Mrs. Chubb)
 Also ran: Brown Eve (Miss
 Biere), Sea Hawk (Mrs. Ramsay),
 May (Miss W. Haley Bell), Lo-
 (Mrs. Brownrigg), Lochaber (N
 Lewis), Digby (Miss Schrober)
 Chink Oh (Miss Hutchins).

Ladies Quoit Picking.

Mrs. Brownrigg	1
Miss Schrober	2
Miss Hutchins	3

Cash Sweep Results.

Race 2.	
No. 62	\$ 93.80.
" 34	25.80.
" 32	13.40.
Race 4.	
No. 393	\$ 491.60.
" 160	194.60.
" 1501	98.80.
Race 7.	
No. 121	\$ 201.00.
" 56	67.60.
" 79	28.80.
Race 8.	
No. 113	\$ 186.00.
" 133	60.

New York, Feb. 8.
In the American Covered Courts Championship, Hunter beat Julius Seligson, one of the most prominent of the younger players, 6-4, 6-2, 6-2.—Reuter's American Service.

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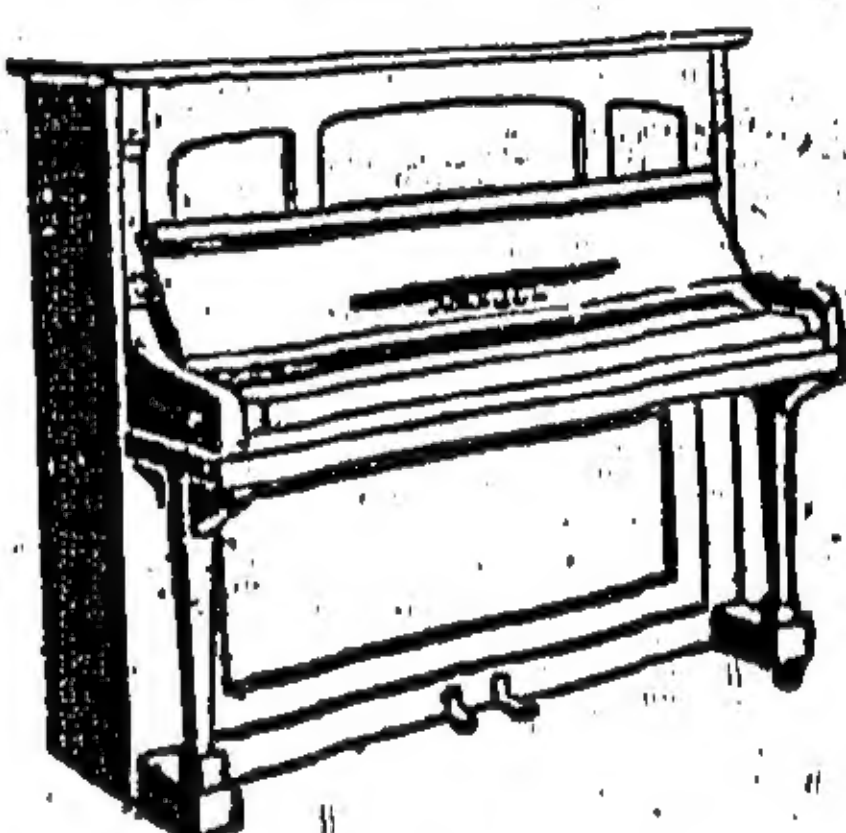
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LOCAL YACHTING.

ARMY BEAT THE CLUB IN SAILING RACES.

There was an interesting contest between the R.H.K.Y.C. and the Army yesterday, the latter winning by 144 points to 130. Details follow:

Morning Race.

Starting Gun 11 a.m. Course—Club Line West to East, Channel Rocks (P), Kowloon Rock (P), Mark on Line (S), Cust Rock Mark-Boat (S), Club Line West to East. Distance, 5.5 miles.

The Army.

Yacht	Sailed by	P'tion	Pts.
Diana	Lt. Col. Cardew	2	16
Dorothy	Lt. MacLaren	3	14
Haleyon	Major Campbell	4	13
Wings	Capt. Peyton Reid	6	11
Boojum	Capt. Shipsey	8	9
Adnan	Col. Stewart	13	4
Zephyr	Capt. Wernicke	11	6
Gael	Major Hanna	16	1
Total			73

R.H.K.Y.C.

Yacht	Sailed by	P'tion	Pts.
Holla	Mr. E. E. Benham	1	17
Colleen	Mr. F. D. Tracy	5	12
Daphne	Mr. A. L. Shields	15	2
Why Wonder?	Mr. H. S. Rouse	10	7
Bluenose	Mr. G. H. Gandy	9	8
Speedwell	Mr. E. B. Lambert	12	5
Lola	Mr. W. D. Russell	14	3
Wendy	Mr. S. Odland	7	10
Total			64

Afternoon Race.

Starting Gun 2.40 p.m. Course—Club Line West to East, Channel Rocks (P), Cust Rock Mark-Boat (S), Kowloon Rock (S), Club Line East to West. Distance, 6.6 miles.

The Army.

Yacht	Sailed by	P'tion	Pts.
Holla	Capt. Hutton Hall	1	17
Colleen	Col. Stewart	3	14
Daphne	Lt. Scott Elliot	14	3
Why Wonder?	Major Hanna	12	5
Bluenose	Lt. Martin	8	9
Speedwell	Capt. Wernicke	5	12
Lola	Major Campbell	13	4
Wendy	Lt. Col. Cardew	10	7
Total			71

Morning Race.

Yacht	Sailed by	P'tion	Pts.
Diana	Mr. A. L. Shields	2	16
Dorothy	Mr. G. H. Gandy	4	13
Haleyon	Mr. F. D. Tracy	7	10
Wings	Mr. W. D. Russell	8	8
Boojum	Mr. H. S. Rouse	6	11
Adnan	Mr. E. E. Benham	11	6
Zephyr	Mr. E. B. Lambert	15	2
Gael	Mr. de Ville	10	1
Total			60

Morning race.

Total points	130
Previous result, on December 15—	Army 131, Club 142.

FOR NEW HOSTEL.

FANCY DRESS DANCE AT UNIVERSITY.

The Great Hall of the Hongkong University presented an animated scene on Saturday night, when revellers, in all sorts and conditions of attractive fancy costumes, danced in the vaulted chamber. The occasion was the fancy dress ball given by the Lady Undergraduate to swell the funds of the new Women's Hostel at the Varsity and a good sum must have been realised as a result of their efforts, while they certainly gave a most enjoyable evening to the big crowd which attended.

Further merriment was provided by the sale of balloons and favours by stall keepers in the ballroom, and the dance had not long begun in swing when the Great Hall took on the appearance of a fashionable cabaret on some extra-special occasion. One's sympathy goes out to Mrs. H. T. Crenay, Mrs. Finnigan, and Colonel Skinner, who were the judges of the fancy costumes. While a good many dancers appeared in evening dress, a fair number paraded before the judges in a variety of costumes. A glance at Colonel Skinner's face during the judging showed that the officer was facing a serious problem, but with the aid of his lady colleagues he awarded prizes which satisfied all.

The Awards.

The following were prizewinners in the Ladies' Section:—

Miss Edna Leung, Chinese Princess, 1st prize, a toilet set, presented by His Honour the Chief Justice.

Miss Julia Lam, Peasant Girl, 2nd prize, a doll, presented by the Lady Undergraduate.

Mrs. H. C. Chan, Dutch Girl, 3rd prize, presented by the Judge.

In the Gentlemen's Section, the following awards were made:—

Mr. Tam Yip-fong, Chinese Duke, 1st prize, Pen Set, presented by His Honour the Chief Justice.

Mr. J. P. P. Indian Constable, 2nd prize, doll, presented by the Lady Undergraduate.

Mr. Li Fun-fong, Chinese Knight, 3rd prize, presented by Mrs. Southern.

Following the decisions the prizes were presented by Mrs. Southern, after which dancing continued until 1 a.m. An interesting feature of the dance was the fact that music was provided by the band of the 2nd K.O.S.B., so soon to depart from our midst, and the bandmen proved themselves as capable of rendering good dance music as they are of rendering martial scores.

MEXICO'S PRESIDENT.

ASSAILANT'S FAMILY ALSO ARRESTED.

Mexico City, Feb. 9. The father, mother and two brothers of Flores, the man who shot at President Rubio after his inauguration ceremony, have been arrested, and handed over to the military authorities. — *Reuter's American Service.*

Washington, Feb. 9.

The House of Representatives have passed a Bill transferring the carrying out of prohibition enforcement from the Treasury Department to the Department of Justice. — *Reuter's American Service.*

ST. PETER'S CHURCH.

ANNUAL MEETING HELD YESTERDAY.

The annual general meeting of the members of St. Peter's Church was held at the Seamen's Home yesterday afternoon. The Very Rev. Dean Swann occupied the chair, and the report for the year was presented by Mr. A. C. Braine-Hartnell.

Mr. Hartnell said that the meeting was their first since the status of the Church had been altered. They had surrendered their independence, and had bound themselves in fealty to St. John's Cathedral under the name of a Chapel of Ease. The change was a pure gain for St. Peter's. They were drawn closer to their Mother Church, and secured the advantage of having a permanent priest in charge.

Actually, continued Mr. Hartnell, they had retained their independence and integrity and also had a voice in the affairs of the Cathedral.

Loss of Mr. Halward.

During the year St. Peter's had suffered a temporary loss, and had made a permanent gain. The loss he referred to was the departure on leave of the Rev. Halward, who in addition to his duties as Bishop's secretary, had acted as priest to St. Peter's. The latter work, together with the interest he took in the Young Men's Club, would have been more than a full time job in ordinary circumstances. They would miss the genial personality of Mr. Halward, and the Church owed him very much indeed.

The gain was the presence of Mr. Watkins, who is now permanent priest to St. Peter's. St. Peter's could not start its new career under better auspices. It was the first time since 1918 that the parish had been able to support a full-time priest.

Regarding the funds of the year the Duplex system had been installed and had resulted in a gain of \$900, while \$893 had been made by the envelope system. This year they intended to budget for \$1,000.

Satisfactory reports were read from the Guild of Martha and Mary, the Servers' Guild, and the V.D.M.A., after which the meeting concluded.

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WA ON ASSOCIATION DINNER TO MR. TREDWELL.

Mr. R. C. Tredwell, who has for some considerable time been the United States Consul General in Hongkong, was the guest of honour at a dinner given by the W. A. On Association at the Kam Ling Restaurant on Saturday night, in view of his approaching departure on promotion to Australia.

There were about a hundred persons present, and the function was a most enjoyable one, with the cordial atmosphere prevailing. A felicitous speech was made by Mr. Li I-tong, the chairman of the Association, who referred to the goodwill created by Mr. Tredwell in his dealings with Chinese merchants trading with America, and thanked him for his unfailing courtesy. He wished him all success, and added that he hoped to see Mr. Tredwell back again, some day, as U.S. Minister to China. The guest of honour suitably replied.



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KUOMINTANG LIES.

TIENTSIN NEWSPAPER SPEAKS OUT.

Tientsin, Feb. 9.
The Tientsin District Kuomintang yesterday passed a resolution recommending a ban on the Peking and Tientsin Times regarding the mails, also requesting the National Government to take similar action.

This is the sequel to the recent anti-extraterritoriality campaign by the local Kuomintang. Propaganda Department which has extensively circulated leaflets, published in both English and Chinese, charging foreign missionaries, *inter alia*, with trafficking in opium and other narcotics and supplying arms to bandits and other anti-Government factions. The Peking and Tientsin Times called on Mr. Lu Tong-ping, the Director of the Propaganda Department, either to substantiate the charges or publicly to retract them. In response thereto, Mr. Che Feng-wel, the Secretary of the Propaganda Department, published a denunciation of the Times in the local Kuomintang daily, this being followed up by the aforementioned resolution.

The outcome is now being awaited with much interest.—Reuter.

BIG FORGERY CASE.

THREE ACCUSED GERMAN DISCHARGED.

Berlin, Feb. 9.
Three of the accused Germans, who were charged with having forged Chervonetz notes, have been acquitted, and the proceedings against two Georgian prisoners have been stopped, in consequence of an amnesty for political offences. The forged notes have been confiscated and the State ordered to pay the costs of the trial.

Counsel for the accused indignantly pleaded that the Soviet did not recognise the validity of its own Chervonetz notes when exported from Russia by anyone but itself and therefore the forged notes could not be regarded as money.—Reuter.

It will be remembered that the prosecution alleged that the defendants were concerned in a gigantic plot to overthrow the Soviet by flooding the country with millions of spurious Soviet notes, declaring that the late General Hoffman was among the German leaders deeply involved and adding that many attempts were made to secure British co-operation. It was alleged that a well-known oil magnate was interested in the plot.

FISHERMEN DROWNED.

DISASTER TO JAPANESE VESSELS IN STORM.

Tokyo, Feb. 9.
During a storm on February 5 off Bonin, four fishing vessels were wrecked, and twenty fishermen are missing and, it is feared, have been drowned.

Two bodies have hitherto been recovered.—Reuter.

EMPIRE AVIATION.

AIR ROUTES TO BE EXTENDED.

London, Feb. 8.
Lord Thomson, the Air Minister, addressing the British Empire League, mentioned the possibility of the Imperial air line to India being extended to Australia and of a service from Egypt to South Africa being opened this year.

He said that the air routes of the British Empire in 1929 amounted to 11,000 miles and, in 1930, to 19,000 miles.

A reasonable expectation for 1930, Lord Thomson added, is an increase to 35,000 miles, by the extension to South Africa and Australia.

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"Hot-house of War."
Lord Thomson also said that the airship programme had been well worth the money spent on it and the two new airships had given enough satisfaction to justify reasonable optimism about this form of transportation. It was essentially veritable for passing over seas.

Air development, unlike development of the Mercantile Marine, had grown in the hot-house of the War, which had forced it artificially and it had got to be maintained artificially at present unless the British people were prepared to drop out of the march of human progress.

Biggest Commercial Planes.
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ANOTHER VICTIM.

LABORATORY ATTENDANT DIES OF PSITTACOSIS.

Washington, Feb. 9.
The Attendant at the Hygienic Laboratory of the United States Public Health Service, who is entrusted with the care of parrots sent to the laboratory for diagnosis, has died of psittacosis.

It is announced at the laboratory that although over two hundred cultures have been obtained from dead and living parrots no organism yet obtained has proved to be the specific cause of the disease.—Reuter's American Service.

Washington, Feb. 9.
Admiral Chas. F. Hughes, Chief of Naval Operations in the Navy Office, has suffered a mild stroke of paralysis. Rear Admiral Standley is temporarily acting chief.—Reuter's American Service.

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CRIME IN BALKANS.

LIFE SENTENCE FOR KILLING HUSBAND.

Vienna, Feb. 8.

Frau Varga, a peasant woman, aged 41 years, has been sentenced to penal servitude for life for poisoning her husband, who was blinded during the war. She poisoned him because of his jealousy.

She was acquitted, owing to lack of evidence, on the charge of poisoning her husband's grandfather in order to obtain his property. The chief witness against Frau Varga was Frau Kardos. Thirty-one women and three men have still to be tried on charges arising out of the wholesale poisonings in the village of Nagyrev.—Reuter.

Bombay, Feb. 9.
Strike conditions on the Great India Peninsula Railway are improving and the strikers in various centres are gradually returning to work.—Reuter.

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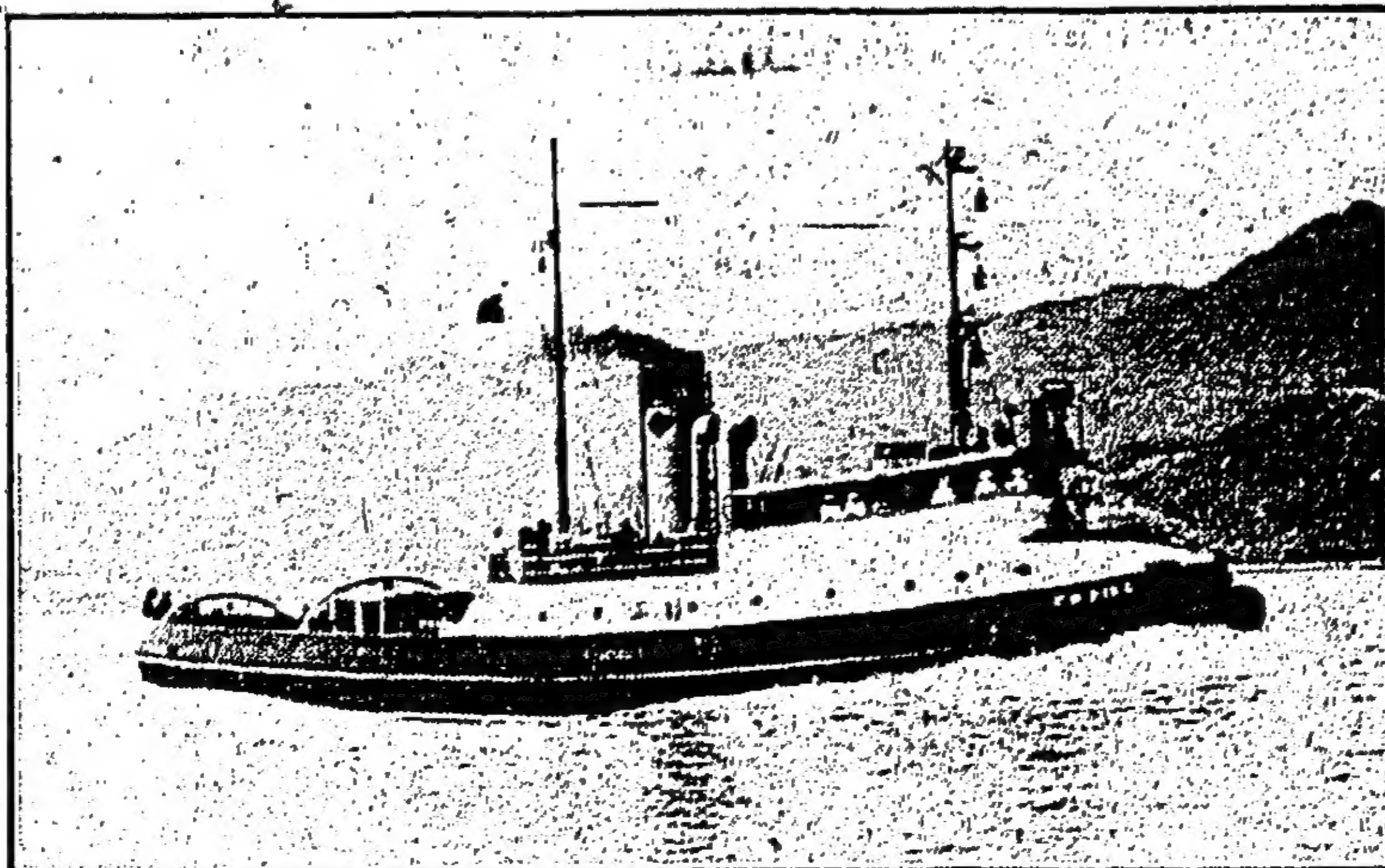
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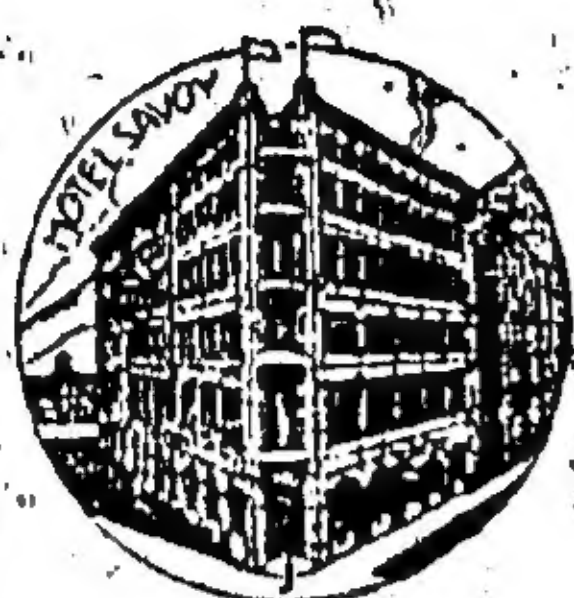
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HOTEL BUS & CAR IN COLLISION.

CLAIM AND COUNTER-CLAIM IN COURT.

LIABILITY QUESTION.

A collision at Happy Valley between a Hongkong Hotel Co. motor bus and a public motor car had a sequel in the Summary Court this morning when Chuen Hong-sai, the owner of the car, claimed \$344 damages from the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Garage Department. The defendant's counter-claim for damage to their motor bus.

Mr. F. C. E. Rendall appeared for the plaintiff, and Mr. R. A. Wadson for the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels Garage. The latter said that the quantum of damages on both the claim and the counter-claim had been agreed, and the only question to be settled was that of liability.

Outlining his case, Mr. Rendall said the accident occurred about 12.30 on November 22 when the plaintiff's driver, Yu Sze-tung, had taken some passengers to Wong Nei Chong Road and was returning to his garage at West Point. Approaching the Monument, he intended to turn into Gap Road. Mr. Rendall explained that at the junction there was a private road leading to the premises of the Hongkong Hotel Garage. In the centre of the road was a tramway standard bearing a notice "All buses stop here."

As the plaintiff's driver approached the private road, he noticed a bus belonging to the defendant Company turn across the tram lines in an attempt to enter the private road.

Car Front Smashed.

Seeing that an accident was unavoidable, the plaintiff's driver put on his brakes, but the bus collided with his vehicle, smashing the right front part of it.

Sitting with him in the driver's seat was another man who received injuries to the right side of the head by pieces of glass when the windshield was shattered. The motor bus went on to collide with the standard and went further to the house of a monumental mason, where it knocked plaster off the walls. The public car was twisted round and finished up in the side lane about six feet from the motor bus.

Mr. Rendall contended that it was the duty of the motor bus to avoid the collision and to give way.

Plaintiff's driver gave evidence bearing out Mr. Rendall's opening.

Long Skid Mark.

In cross-examination by Mr. Wadson, he was asked if he knew that his car left a skid mark 58 feet long on the road. Defendant admitted that he made rather a long skid mark when he applied his brakes.

Mr. Wadson said evidence would show that the skid mark ran almost parallel to the cemetery wall and started from the right-hand back wheel of the motor car.

Plaintiff's driver denied that he was in a hurry to get back to his garage, and said that the motor bus carried side lights, had lights inside and also one on top.

In reply to further questions, witness admitted that when a Chinese constable came up shortly after the accident, he said he would have been surprised if there had not been an accident, because of the speed at which plaintiff's driver travelled past the race-course.

The driver of the car denied that he ran into the side of the motor bus when it was right across the road and on the point of entering the garage. If that had occurred, he contended, the entire front part of his car would have been smashed.

The case is proceeding.

SAMPAN CAPSIZES.

OLD WOMAN AND CHILDREN, RESCUED.

A sampan containing an old woman and three children capsized between Kennedy Town and Cheung Chau this morning, but fortunately the mishap was not attended with any fatal consequences, all the occupants of the boat being rescued suffering from nothing more serious than the effects of the immersion.

According to one report, the Cheung Chau ferry launch Sun Chau was on her morning trip to Hongkong at about 8 a.m. to-day when the coxswain espied a capsized sampan off Kennedy Town with four persons clinging to it. The ferry-boat at once made for the spot and picked up the four boat-people, who were then brought into Hongkong. On arrival, they were taken to the Water Police Station to make a report.

WORKERS ATTACK FACTORY.

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were never so excessive. Taxation is more than five times what it used to be. We have had to compete with the better financed foreign cigarette companies. We have been unable to increase our prices because, every time we increase them, the Government, who has promised to do everything to encourage Chinese trade, has hampered us by imposing heavier taxation," they said.

"For all these reasons," they continued, "it is only fair to our shareholders that we should suspend business instead of being forced to lose more money. We can't afford to lose any more."

Hongkong Not Affected.

Asked whether the suspension of the Shanghai company would have any effect on the Hongkong company, Mr. Han said no. He could not say when or whether the Shanghai factory would re-open; that would depend on the exchange rates, the market and other considerations.

Then it was learned that one of the staff outside the East Seward Road gate was about to put up a poster announcing the terms of settlement. Running round to the Seward Road entrance, the Press representative was just in time to see the member of the staff emerge. The crowd at once gathered round this man and, as he attempted to paste up the poster announcing the terms of settlement, he was set upon by the crowd, who shouted "Parag! Parag!" (Hit him! Hit him!).

Badly Beaten.

Tearing the poster to a thousand pieces, they assaulted the unfortunate idler, who was forced to flee for his life. He managed to get inside, but not before he had been badly beaten.

The workers then attempted to storm the place again. Finding they could not shake the gate open, they tried to push it down, and they were doing this when the police arrived in response to a telephone message from the management. Thanks to their efficient handling of the situation, peace was soon restored. After much persuasion, the crowd was prevailed upon to leave.

CHOPPER ATTACK.

TWO CARPENTERS FINED AT KOWLOON.

Charges of assault were brought against two carpenters before Mr. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, one of the defendants being alleged to have struck another man over the head with a chopper when accused of being thieves.

Both defendants set upon the complainant and were striking him with their fists, one attempting to use the chopper, when a constable arrived on the scene. The defendants were each fined \$10 and ordered to pay \$10 compensation each, as well as sign bonds for their future behaviour.

STOP PRESS.

JAPAN AND U.S. NAVAL PROPOSALS.

SATISFIED THAT BRITAIN WAS ALSO SURPRISED.

Tokyo, Feb. 10. While the belief exists in some quarters that the American proposals at the Naval Conference received the tacit approval of Britain prior to their presentation to Japan, the Foreign Office emphasises that it is convinced that there is absolutely no connivance between the two countries.

The Foreign Office, on the contrary, intimates that it has reason to declare that both Senator Reed's proposals and Mr. Stimson's statement took the British delegates by as much surprise as was experienced by the Japanese.

At the same time, Japan is satisfied that the American proposals are not intended as a hard and fast offer, but merely as a starting point for bargaining.

Owing to the unfortunate impression left by the publicity given to Mr. Stimson's statement, it is learned that Japan is not likely to follow the British example of issuing a statement, though a reply will be sent to the proposals which Senator Reed presented to Mr. Watanabe on February 6.

As the reply requires careful consideration both in Tokyo and London, several days are likely to elapse before it is submitted to the American delegation, and it is not likely to be made public. —Reuter.

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ASSAILED BECAUSE OF "WET" ANCESTRY.

BRITISH IN ORIGIN.

Washington, Feb. 8. The "Star Spangled Banner" got mixed up in the Prohibition controversy today and nearly missed being officially designated as the national anthem of the United States because of charges by dyes that its melody was taken from an old English drinking song.

The House of Representative Judiciary Committee adopted a report of its subcommittee recommending that the "Star Spangled Banner" be made the official national anthem. It has long been recognized as such but it has never been officially attested to by Congress.

For a time there was a great fuss as the dyes contended that the words written by Francis Scott Key as he was held prisoner aboard a British man of war and while Baltimore was being shelled, away back in 1812, were set to an old English drinking song.

With ardent velle erining broadly the Judiciary committee decided that the "Star Spangled Banner" is a perfectly proper national anthem despite its wet ancestry.

CHINESE DRUNKARD IN COURT.

ASSAULTED WOMAN WHO REFUSED MONEY.

Appearing on behalf of a Chinese woman who charged a man before Mr. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with assault, Mr. J. M. Remedios intimated that the complainant was not hurt and that she would be satisfied if a nominal fine was imposed and the defendant bound over, as she wished to prevent a repetition of the offence.

In answer to the charge, the defendant said he was drunk at the time, but did not assault the woman. He merely grabbed her by the arm. He mentioned that he was borne in Japan and, on returning to Hongkong, had gone in search of the complainant who was a "sworn sister" of his own sister, but when he found her she refused to have anything to do with him.

Mr. Remedios intimated that the defendant was alleged to have struck the complainant in the face, but the injuries were not severe. He would be satisfied if his Worship imposed a small fine on the defendant's own plea and also bound him over. The defendant was a confirmed drunkard and frequently borrowed money from the complainant. On this occasion she had refused to give him any more money. The defendant was fined \$10 and also bound over to be of good behaviour.

PLIGHT OF BYRD EXPEDITION.

RELIEF SHIP ENTERS THE ICE-PACK.

Oslo, Feb. 9. It is reported that Rear-Admiral Byrd's ship, the City of New York, has entered the ice-pack and is attempting to force her way into the Ross Sea in order to relieve the members of the Expedition.

The last news of the Expedition was to the effect that its members were installed in camp in Little America, with their supply ship unavailable owing to the unprecedented heavy ice barrier. It was reported, however, that Rear-Admiral Byrd was not suffering from shortage of supplies. —Reuter.

FUKIEN DISPUTE.

GOVERNMENT CONTEMPLATING DIRECT ACTION.

Nanking, Feb. 9. The Fukien situation remains unsettled in spite of the efforts of Nanking loyalists in Fukien to bring about a settlement of the dispute among the militarists.

The National Government may order the Chinese Garrison at Shanghai, under General Hsiung Shih-hui, to Fukien, to participate in the suppression of the malcontents.

DRIZZLE OR MIST.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone central over North China has strengthened. The depression between Tokyo and Bonin is moving north-east. Fresh to strong monsoon will prevail along the south-east coast of China and over the North China Sea. The forecast: till noon tomorrow is—N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy; drizzle or mist later.

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